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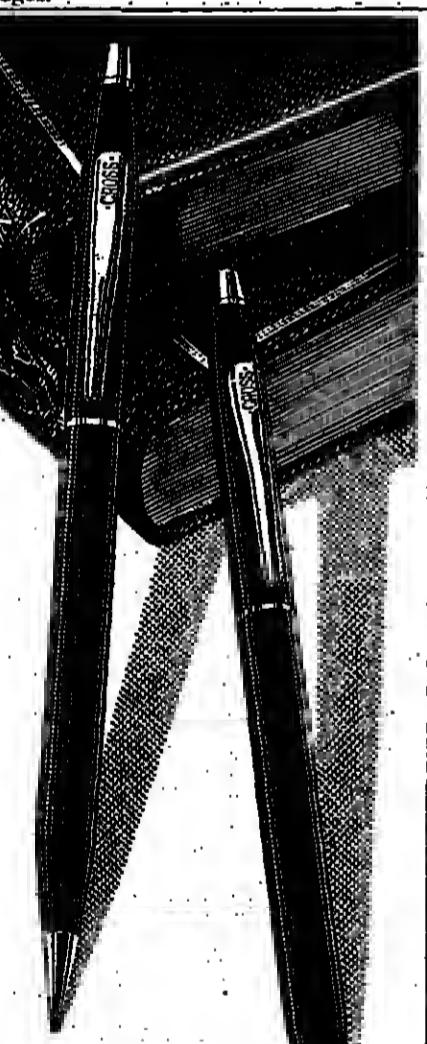
Judge arrested

PEKING, Dec. 18 (AP) — An assistant judge in a Shanghai court has been arrested for threatening judges of another court with a knife to speed up his divorce.

The New People's Evening News said the Fengtan Court had begun efforts to mediate in the case of Hsueh Li-en-Tung, but he was eager to divorce his wife quickly.

He threatened that if the divorce was not granted by the end of the year, he and his wife would die together, said the paper's Wednesday edition, seen in Peking Friday.

Then, it said, he took a knife into a courtroom, stuck it in a desk and threatened the judges.



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MILITARY ACADEMY : Crown Prince Abdullah, the first deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, seen Saturday inaugurating on behalf of King Fahd, the King Khaled Military Academy of the National Guard at Al-Aan. Later, Crown Prince Abdullah attended a function given in his honor by the academy.

PLO, Jordan agree on link-up

BIRUT, Dec. 18 (AP) — Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat said in a magazine interview published here Saturday agreement has been reached to pursue a confederation between Jordan and a future Palestinian state.

"We have agreed with our Jordanian brethren that the future relationship between Jordan and Palestine should be confederal," Arafat said in an interview by the independent *An-Nahar* Arab and International magazine.

He said Jordanian and PLO negotiators were discussing the degree of control the confederal government would have over foreign and defense affairs of the proposed union.

"There are no essential differences between the Jordanian and Palestinian concepts," Arafat said. "A final formula will be

signed after the return of King Hussein."

The Jordanian monarch is in the United States, preparing for talks with U.S. President Ronald Reagan slated for Tuesday on the Arab and American plans for an overall Middle East settlement.

The Reagan plan suggested Palestinian self-government in association with Jordan.

Commenting on what the PLO considers as "positive points" in the Reagan plan, Arafat said Reagan was the first American president to state that "the West Bank and the Gaza Strip are occupied territories from which (Israel) withdrawal should take place."

A second positive point, Arafat said, was Reagan's opposition to the establishment of Israeli settlements in the West Bank and Gaza regions that Israel captured in the 1967 Middle East war.

Sanaa calls for massive aid

SANA, Dec. 18 (R) — North Yemen needs hundreds of millions of dollars to rebuild areas devastated by Monday's earthquake which made some 400,000 persons homeless, officials said Saturday.

The earthquake, which hit a densely populated region of mountainous Dhamar province southwest of here, killed over 2,000 persons.

More bodies were still to be dug from the ruins of 274 villages and hamlets. Rescuers dug out 49 survivors Friday but were pessimistic Saturday about finding more people still alive under the debris.

Hundreds of army trucks were providing food, water, clothes, medicine and blankets to victims who had come down from mountain villages lying up to 2,100 meters above sea level. More than 150 planes have been bringing in relief supplies with doctors, nurses and medical teams.

A United Nations official engaged in the relief work Saturday said more than 7,000 tents were needed. 6,000 had already been received, he said, but there were only a few thousand mattresses compared to the 50,000 needed.

However, there was no shortage of medical

Russian attache expelled by Italy

ROME, Dec. 18 (AP) — Italy has expelled an aide to the Soviet Embassy's military attache for unspecified reasons, a Soviet official said Friday.

Reagan hopeful of getting the plan passed, said the commission would be made up of experts from past governments and from the military, who will work with the Pentagon on possible deployment methods.

The president had first proposed the "dense-pack" method, under which the missiles would be placed close together at a Wyoming base. The theory was that an enemy strike on the missiles would provoke retaliation against the other enemy missiles before they hit their target, leaving a substantial number of missiles intact.

But many congressional and defense experts contested the theory, called "fratricide," and Reagan has been forced to reconsider his plans.

The Italian news agency ANSA said, without citing sources, that Chelak was ordered out for "activities incompatible with his diplomatic position." It did not give specifics.

The news agency said the affair did not appear to be related to deteriorating relations between Italy and the Soviet bloc over alleged Bulgarian involvement in the attempted assassination of Pope John Paul II.

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Khamenei tops poll

TEHRAN, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Iranian President Hojatoleslam Ali Khamenei won the most votes in elections Dec. 10 to choose the "assembly of experts" to elect a successor to Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini. Iranian newspapers reported Saturday.

Parliamentary Speaker Hojatoleslam Hashemi Rafsanjani was second and Islamic Revolutionary prosecutor Ayatollah Abdul Karim Musavi Ardebili finished third.

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Polish Sejm votes to suspend siege

WARSAW, Dec. 18 (R) — The Polish Sejm (parliament) Saturday overwhelmingly approved bill opening the way for a suspension of martial law and a package measures to ensure a continued tight grip on security and the economy.

The bills give the council of state, the collective presidency, the authority to suspend and, if necessary, reimpose martial law. A government spokesman said earlier this week the suspension would come into effect Dec. 31.

A bill giving the council of state the right to suspend martial law was passed unanimously. Another easing the restrictions imposed as part of last December's military crackdown and outlining temporary special powers for the period under martial law is lifted completely was passed with nine abstentions.

The complete lifting of military restrictions is not expected for several months and some official sources said it would not take place until halfway through next year.

The Polish authorities have said they were able to ease martial law not because they had controlled the threat of disruption by the underground opposition and because of some signs of an improvement in the crisis-ridden economy.

However, they said the threat from "anti-Socialist internal groups" and front subversives by Western countries, particularly the United States, meant there could be only a suspension of the restrictions at this stage.

The impact of the first bill, which abolishes many restrictive measures, including internment without trial, has been offset by the second, which replaces many of these measures with equally tough government powers.

The relaxations include an end to routine censorship of mail and telephone calls. Most Poles had been discreet on the phone even before martial law in the belief that they

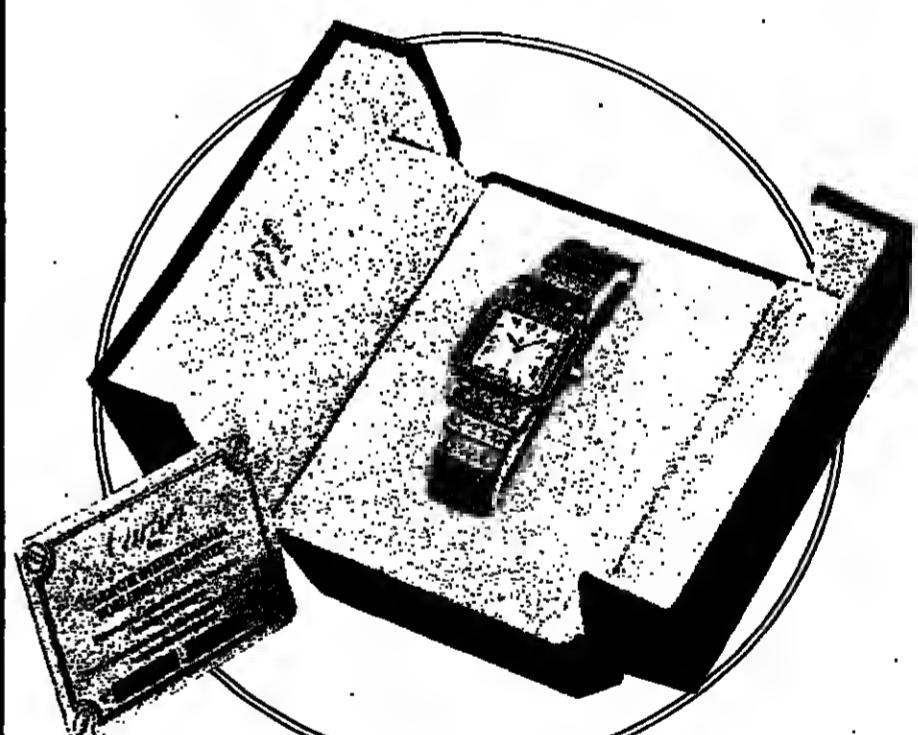
VIENNA, Dec. 18 (Agencies) — Oil Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani said after a closed-door bargaining session that all OPEC countries opposed any cut in the exporter group's \$34 a barrel oil reference price. He said the meeting had focused on the production ceiling needed to protect present prices.

Sheikh Yamani, asked if a price cut was in the offing, said: "We are discussing how to defend the prices, not how to cut them." Asked if Saudi Arabia was cutting its price, he replied: "Categorically, everybody in the meeting was against a price cut. It was not even discussed."

Chairman Mana Saeed Oteiba of the market monitoring committee said his committee would not make any specific proposal on production ceilings following an Iranian demand that Saudi Arabia should cut production so Tehran can boost its output.

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Under the auspices of Prince Abdullah

Military academy opened near Riyadh

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) Prince Abdullah, first deputy prime minister and commander of the National Guard, Saturday opened the new King Khaled Military Academy for the Saudi National Guard at Khashm Al-Aan, north of the capital. Prince Abdullah cut the ribbon and unveiled a memorial plaque, and academy Commander Prince Miteb ibn Abdullah then gave a speech reviewing the Kingdom's prominent role in the Arab and Islamic world.

He mentioned the part played by the late King Abdulaziz, founder of the Kingdom, in unifying this great country, and the efforts of King Fahd's government in serving the causes of the Arab and Islamic nations.

The college occupies an area totaling 320 square meters, with a 76 square meters building area. 17,500 square meters allotted for the gardens where there are 22,000 trees of various species and 5,110 square meters for roads inside the academy.

The academy, designed along Islamic lines, will accommodate more than 1,000 people including students, lecturers and instructors. There are three-year courses after which the graduate is given a lieutenant rank; those interested can pursue their higher studies up to the masters degree.

The academy is making use of the other institutions' expertise like universities and relevant military establishments to draw its texts. Buildings comprise a three-story complex for the administration, a mosque that

can accommodate 1,000 people at one time, three language laboratories, library and microfilm section. There will be 75 rooms for accommodating single officers, a similar number for non-commissioned officers, four other buildings to accommodate 104 students each and a 600-seat restaurant, a 28-bed hospital, stadium, a supermarket and other utilities as well.

Prince Mir'eib ibn Abdullah ibn Abdul Aziz, the leader of the academy gave a speech during the opening ceremony in which he lauded the Kingdom's efforts in developing the National Guard saying that developing the Saudi Arabian forces is one of the aims of the country's leaders who believe that right can best be defended by appropriate might.

Study reveals local products sell quite well on exhibition

JEDDAH, Dec. 18 — "Startling" facts about marketing locally-manufactured goods have been uncovered in a six-month study conducted by the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce and industry, according to the latest issue of *Saudi Business*.

The study, to be released in two months, found that citizens scrambled for local products when on exhibition. "They sell well on an exhibition but not on local markets," the study points out.

Officials at the Chamber's Research Department contacted manufacturers who complained that consumers have not been giving enough encouragement to local goods.

The consumers claimed that no product is being produced here and that all are imported and some locally labeled.

According to Chamber research department head Hassan Ali Nasser, who is also its deputy secretary, only 70 out of 157 manufacturers here responded to queries.

"Seventy percent of the respondents have no idea at all about marketing, 10 percent have some knowledge, while the remaining 20 percent are somewhat successful," he said.

The successful are those manufacturers of building materials, footstuffs and furniture, but industries such as metallic, electrical and electronics have "never heard" of marketting," Nasser said quoting the study.

The study shows that most investors do not

know about the availability of local raw materials. They instead rely on foreign imports when establishing their industrial concerns, "though sometimes the raw materials required by a factory may be available here," he said.

"The fault is not of the industrialists but the manufacturers who do not attempt to market their goods," Nasser added.

Another disadvantage for the local market is that the Saudi consumer is more import-oriented, making it more difficult for the domestic goods to compete with foreign imports.

The study found that factory managers take unilateral decisions on production regardless of market conditions. Nasser said that factories seldom advertise for their goods to reach the majority of the consumers.

The study set out 32 suggestions "which have immense value to the local industrialists" to promote local industrial goods.

The Chamber also carried out another six-month research on "Management in private hospitals" here.

The survey, carried out following complaints from the public, found that most private hospitals are fully controlled by the owners who have not specialized in the field. It added that arbitrary decisions are taken without consulting the concerned parties.



Hassan Ali Nasser

Kingdom's wheat production rises

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — The Kingdom's production of wheat is expected to reach between 500-600,000 tons next year, thus enabling the Kingdom to achieve self-sufficiency in this commodity.

Production has increased from 3,000 tons in 1977 to 400,000 tons this year. The increase comes as a result of the accomplishment of the development programs on horizontal and vertical levels.

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Crown Prince Abdullah

Doctors asked to stay with health ministry

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — Ministry of health announced here Saturday that it is not going to answer doctors' requests to be transferred to other places since such a move conflicts with the royal decree that asks all newly graduated doctors to work for the Health Ministry.

The ministry added in its statement that personal wishes of the doctors and their families are important, but more important is the public interest and priorities have to be respected.

The statement expressed its confidence in the readiness of Saudi doctors to work anywhere since the noble goal is to serve citizens anywhere.

The royal decree obliging doctors to work for the ministry was based on a study prepared by the Civil Service Council and aimed at consolidating the Health Ministry with national expertise.

Air Force graduates to be honored on Dec. 22

RIYADH, Dec. 18 — Deputy Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Abdul Rahman ibn Abdul Aziz next Wednesday will honor the 23rd class of graduates from King Faisal Air Force Academy. *Al-Riyad* reported Wednesday.

The graduates include pilots and technicians. The prince will watch a parade during which the cadets will fly in formation with their Cessna 172 and other training aircraft and show their skill and ability to assimilate modern technology.

Cancer treatment center considered

JEDDAH, Dec. 18 — The Health Ministry is examining the possibility of establishing a center for the treatment of cancer here. Western Province Health Director Dr. Nazih Hasan Nassif told *Al-Madina*.

DAMMAM, Dec. 18 (SPA) — The Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture for the Gulf countries has called for an establishment of a Gulf Company to be specialized in imports, providing information, and follow-up on price fluctuations in the international markets.

The Chamber's Secretary-General Kazim Al-Mohaidi called for the adoption of this

proposal to end the Gulf countries.

Gulf commerce ministers at their meeting recently had called for adopting a unified negotiating stand with exporters. Moreover, Mohaidi said another proposal will prevent such firms from circulating company shares before they really start production and achieve some profits.

Gulf states want import firm

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — French Economy and Finance Minister Jacques Delors will arrive here on Monday at the start of a two-day visit to Saudi Arabia. Delors will

meet Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammed Aba Al-Khalil to discuss economic issues of mutual interest.

Arab research center directors begin renewable energy sources meeting

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — Directors of Arab research centers concerned with renewable energy sources began a four-day meeting at the Saudi Arabian National Center for Science and Technology (SANCAST) here Saturday.

SANCAST Chairman Dr. Rida Obaid opened the meeting which has been organized in cooperation with the Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO).

The primary objective of the meeting is to coordinate efforts for finding alternative energy sources and promote cooperation among Arab countries.

Stressing the important role of energy in the development process, Dr. Obaid pointed out that solar energy is one of the natural

resources. In his inaugural address, he stressed the need to work in a framework of interaction and common cooperation.

ALECSO's statement was delivered by Muhammad Al-Rifai who dwelt on the potential outcome of such meetings and highlighted the resources of Arab countries.

These resources only lack cooperation and planning to achieve self-reliance and bring to an end the stage of relying on others," Rifai told participants.

SANCAST Solar Energy Program Director Dr. Bakr Hamza Husain was elected chairman of the meeting, Kuwait's Solar Energy Department Director Dr. Ali Sayegh vice chairman and Jordan's Solar Energy Department Director Dr. Hani Al-Mulqi, secretary general.

Frontier guard course starts today

JEDDAH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — A course on identifying the basic skills and talents required from Frontier Guards begins here Sunday. The course, which lasts three weeks, is organized by the Arab Security Studies and Training Center. A total of 45 personnel engaged in frontier and coastal corps in Arab

states, will attend the course.

Chairman of the pan-Arab center, Dr. Farouq Murad, will open the course, aimed at acquainting participants with theoretical and practical practices related to frontier guarding, developing the skills of personnel and providing them with all support sciences.

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RIYADH, — Crown Prince Abdullah, first deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, has sent a message of greetings to President Seyni Kountche of Niger on the occasion of his country's national day. The crown prince wished the people of Niger continued progress, prosperity and welfare.

Clinic inaugurated

MAKKAH, (SPA) — Makkah Governor Prince Majed inaugurated Saturday the Shifa Clinic here and toured its departments. The event was attended by Acting Makkah Mayor Hamad Al-Shawi, Makkah Commissioner Shaker ibn Hazzah and a number of officials.

Medical team arrives

SANA, (SPA) — A medical team from the Kingdom arrived here Saturday to take delivery of equipment destined for the Baidha Hospital in Yemen. The hospital was

built by the Kingdom. The equipment is highly advanced and was supplied and will be installed by a German company at Saudi Arabia's expense.

Arab sports meetings

RIYADH, (SPA) — Treasurer of the Arab Sports Union will begin meetings here Sunday to discuss financial support of sports unions in the Arab world, schedules of sports tournaments and programs for 1983.

Youth Welfare President Prince Faisal ibn Fahd will open the two-day meeting.

Water from Makkah

RIYADH, (SPA) — Visitors to the Mosque of the Prophet Muhammad in Madina will soon be able to drink water from the Zamzam well in Makkah. *Al-Madina* reported Saturday. It quoted Sheikh Suliman ibn Obaid, chairman for the two noble sanctuaries as saying the water would be brought the 401 kilometers by water-tanker and emptied into refrigerated cisterns.

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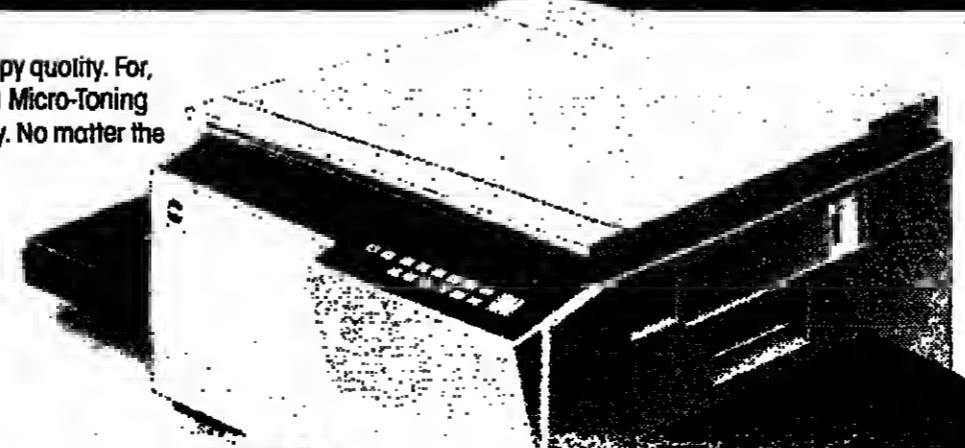
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Eastern Province has \$28 billion invested in 2,543 industrial plants

DAMMAM, Dec. 18 (SPA) — There are 2,543 plants in the Eastern Province, including the ones under construction, in which \$28 billion are invested, according to a report published recently by the area's Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The plants include 1,183 producing plants involving investments totaling \$15 billion. More than 62,000 workers man the plants.

A third industrial city at Al-Ahsa com-

SR40m S. Province projects ready

ABHA, Dec. 18 (SPA) — Projects to be handed over soon in the Southern Province total SR40 million. They include new clinics at Abha, Bisha, Nijran, Kharnis, Mushat and Sabya hospitals. Dr. Abdul Rahim Uqail,

prises a large number of factories. Industrialists are granted loans by the Industrial Development Fund varying according to the size of the factory.

In the meantime, the cultivated land area in the Eastern Province, including the irrigated areas in Oatif and Ahsa, totals 160,000 douoms. Palm trees in the area add up to more than two million. The incentives provided by the government include half the price of the necessary fertilizers, animal fodder, pumps and other equipment. The state also provides 50 percent of the equipment for poultry and dairy farms and consolidates production and crops by various means. There are more than 1.5 million head of cattle in the area.

The government has set the proper climate for the development of fisheries. As a result of such policy, fish production has increased within the past few years. Fishing was developed and regulated and the Saudi Arabian Fishing Company was set up here.

King Abdul Aziz Port here has been a major economic factor in the area's commercial development and the development of industry. It is the largest port in the area, before Jubail, Ras Tanura and Alkhobar ports.

According to 1981 statistics, 7,688.168 tons of general goods, 3,445,236 tons of cement, 10,814 heads of cattle and 136,089 tons of foodstuffs were transported. The railway between Dammam and Riyadh and the construction of the customs area in Riyadh have saved substantial expenses for the merchants, and that, in turn, has brought about noticeable cuts in the prices of consumer goods.

On the waste issue, he urged that "if concentrated, the amount of fissionable material, including weapons, could easily fit in this room," as he pointed round the spacious banquet room of the Dhahran International Hotel where he addressed his audience.

With regard to plutonium, however, Steele admitted there is no solution immediately at hand. There is only enough uranium to supply 360 nuclear reactors, a number which would supply the energy needs only North America. The plutonium produced from uranium would go much further. Fear that the plutonium, which is a constituent part of atomic bombs, would fall into the wrong hands led former U.S. President Carter to ban the relevant programs.

800 plots to be given in two villages

JEDDAH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — Plannings of Mirwaileh and Ashwaq villages, which fall under the jurisdiction of Dhaba Municipality, have been approved, Dhaba Mayor Abbas Hamza Ahmad announced. A total of 800 land plots will be distributed to limited income residents of the two villages, he added.

A committee has been formed to look into applications and distribute plots to the

deserving. The municipality has recently announced names of the second group of beneficiaries, the mayor said. A tender has been issued for water, sewage and storm-water drainage networks for Dhaba, Ahmad added. A SR200,000 contract also was awarded recently for planting trees in the streets of the town, he said.

Meat and vegetable markets in Dhaba and Mirwaileh had been leased, he said.

Married students to get monthly payment

JEDDAH, Dec. 18 — Education Minister Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khuwair has agreed to pay a monthly SR1,000 to every married student at the Kingdom's intermediate colleges and science and mathematics centers, Al-Madina reported.

To qualify for the indemnity, the applicant

must be a full-time student other than those housed by the ministry or by any government department he works at. He must produce evidence that his wife resides with him in the city where he studies. The indemnity will be paid in two installments every six months.

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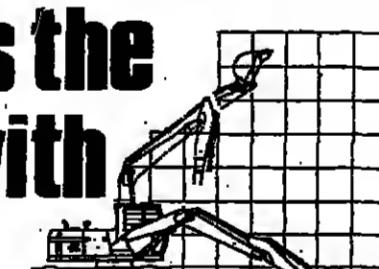
Education ministry to send 141 teachers abroad

DAMMAM, Dec. 18 — The Education Ministry has drawn up a list of 141 teachers for sponsorship abroad during academic year 1983/84, Al-Madina reported.

The Eastern Province Education Department will provide 53 of the required number. The teachers, with at least a three-year

experience in their specific fields will be sent to the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Algeria, Mauritania, Malaysia, the Philippines, Pakistan, Thailand, the Comoro Islands, Nigeria, Niger, Ghana, Guinea, Mali, the Maldives Islands, Bangladesh, Malta and the Republic of China.

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Saudia cargo records six times increase

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — Saudia, the Saudi Arabian national carrier, is carrying more than six times as much air cargo as it was five years ago. Al-Madina reported.

In the first eight months of this year the airline took on 10,111 tons of freight, compared with only 2,457 tons for the whole of 1977 an increase of 617 percent, the paper said.

Saudia has another 7,570 tons of cargo booked onto its flights from Paris to the Kingdom before the end of this year, it added.

Dogs will help customs agents fight smuggling

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — Customs authorities are introducing dogs to help them in their fight against smuggling, according to Okaz.

It quoted a customs official at King Abdul Aziz Airport in Jeddah as saying the airport had contracted to hire ten dogs from the United States to start work there from Jan. 1 next year.

1,135 girls' schools cost SR3.78 billion

RIYADH, Dec. 18 (SPA) — Some 1,135 schools were commissioned by the Directorate General of Girls Education in various parts of the Kingdom until Oct. 17, 1982. The total cost of the schools amounted to SR3.78 billion. Of the total, 683 buildings for schools have been completed and handed over and study have begun in them.

Thousands visit UPM show

Students, businessmen view latest computer developments

By Jean Grant
Alkhobar Bureau

told *Arab News* the game could also be played via telephone modem linkup.

If the name of the game in computers is software, as a faculty visitor claimed, then high-tech must leap the language barrier to succeed in Saudi Arabia. One of the exhibitors' organizers, Prof. Mehmet Caglayan, pointed to the new Arabic software, named "Farah" after the Muslim scientist. Developed by Saudi Computer Industries, the software is used with very powerful microprocessors.

An other advance in Arabic adaptation of technology is the CPT Arabic/English word processing system. The CPT Arabic keyboard is arranged like a standard Arabic typewriter. The English typewriter equivalent is indicated on the keyfront. One advantage of the CPT system is that it automatically selects the correct form of the Arabic letter, whether initial, medial or final. By so doing, it dramatically increases Arabic typing speed by eliminating the shifting required by the conventional typewriter.

Cromenco is also emphasizing its Arabic market, claimed Nishan Keval, of Realtime Engineering and Data Analysts. "Cromenco developing programming language, word processing, data base management and business applications programs in Arabic."

Students at UPM can access the institutions sophisticated IBM mainframe computer, but have no exposure to other systems, said Caglayan.

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Fajr (Dawn)	5:28	5:35	5:06	4:57	5:21	5:55
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:18	12:19	11:50	11:37	12:01	12:31
Asr (Afternoon)	3:22	3:18	2:49	2:32	2:57	3:22
Maghreb (Sunset)	5:44	5:38	5:09	4:52	5:17	5:42
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U.S. announces halt to all Surinam aid

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (Agencies) — The United States announced it was suspending all military and economic aid to Surinam.

The aid, in fact, was modest — \$1.5 million.

The gesture, according to a State Department spokesman, was taken pending "an explanation of recent events and of the direction" taken by Surinam's authorities.

The U.S. government earlier deplored the public execution in Surinam, a former Dutch colony in South America, of at least 25 persons who

the military took over.

Meanwhile, Surinam's Consul-General to Amsterdam, Johan de Vries, resigned Friday in protest against the military coup, bringing to two the number of Surinamese diplomats who have quit since the bloody takeover. Surinam's ambassador to the United Nations, R. Sewrajasingh, resigned Thursday.

In Barbados a Caribbean Congress of

U.K. disbands V-bombers

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP) — Four of the Royal Air Force's giant delta-winged Vulcan nuclear bombers flew in formation over air bases in the British midlands Friday to mark the disbanding of the last "V-Bomber" squadron.

The flypast by planes from the RAF's No. 44 Bomber Squadron signaled the end of an era in RAF history. The Vulcan is the last of the nuclear bomber force of Valiants, Victors and Vulcans Britain formed in 1957.

No. 44 Squadron was first formed in 1917 during World War I and flew Lancaster heavy bombers during World War II.

The Vulcans carried Britain's first free-fall

Labor official said Friday that an effort to contact one of Surinam's top labor leaders "has proved futile" so far.

Burns Bonadie, the organization's secretary-treasurer, said he wanted Reiner Hasenkamp, second vice president of the Caribbean Congress and vice president of Surinam's Moeder Bond Labor Movement, to attend a congress meeting Saturday in Barbados.

Top labor leaders in the Commonwealth Caribbean have been called together to discuss what has happened over the past two weeks in that South American country.

Bonadie said earlier he had a report from Surinam indicating that 24 men including Surinam leader Cyril Daal had been executed by the military regime. Daal was head of the Moeder Bond Union Movement and a member of the Caribbean Congress of Labor.

nuclear bomb, the 4,535-kilogram "Blue Danube." But they never dropped a bomb in combat until virtually the last days of the plane.

Vulcans from No. 44 Squadron led the first air raid on the Argentine-held Falkland Islands May 1 during the 74-day South Atlantic conflict.

Others were used later in long-range attacks from Ascension Island. The crews had to fly 20,900-kilometer missions, refueling several times in flight, from Ascension Island to the Falklands and back again. One RAF squadron will remain operational flying Vulcan air tankers.

Diana taking William to Australia

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP) — Prince Charles and Princess Diana will leave their six-month-old son, Prince William, at an Australian sheep ranch while they travel around the country next March, a Buckingham Palace spokesman said.

"The Prince and Princess of Wales will journey to other parts of the country from that home base," the spokesman said.

The royal couple decided to take their infant son, second in line to the British throne behind his father, on their five-week tour of

U.N. moves on Columbus dropped

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 17 (R) — A proposal to commemorate the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' arrival in the "New World" has been dropped because of unexpected controversy, diplomatic sources said.

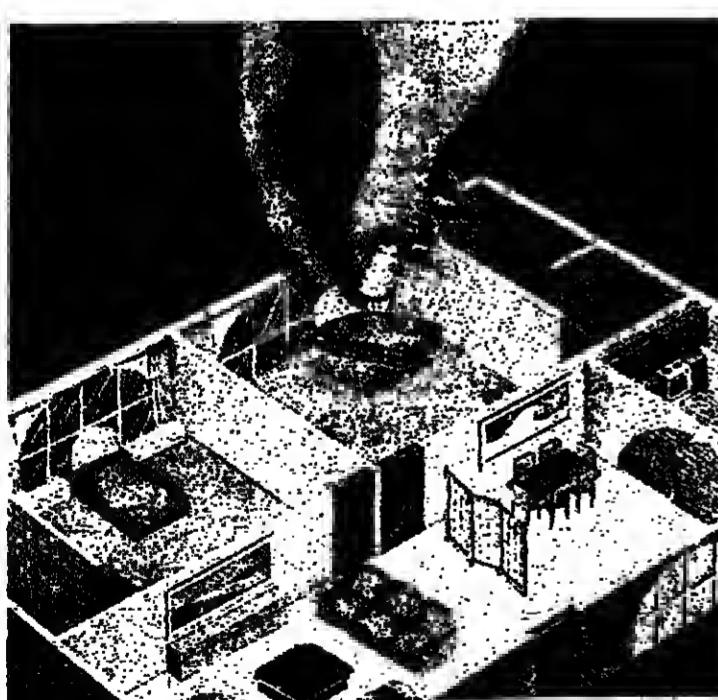
The sources said the United States and Canada has joined other countries in a draft resolution that called for a report on United Nations plans for the anniversary, which falls in 1992.

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Voluntary work marks Soviet anniversary

MOSCOW, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Soviet citizens celebrated Saturday the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Soviet Union by a day of voluntary work.

The so-called Communist Saturday, or "Subotnik," consists of a day of work without pay offered to the state in factories or in local collectives to clean up towns and villages. The Subotnik tradition goes back to April 12, 1919, when a crew of mechanics volunteered to work on their day of rest.

In 1920, Lenin revived the idea on May 1 — Labor Day — by going out to collect wood in the Kremlin with the workers — an example subsequently followed by thousands of other people. The Subotnik was institutionalized in 1969 and takes place each year on the Saturday closest to the anniversary of Lenin's birth on April 22, 1870. This year, it fell on April 17.

The official celebration for the 60th anniversary of the Soviet state will be held next Tuesday under the new Kremlin leadership headed by Yuri Andropov. For the Communist regime, the existence of a "Soviet people" is real enough, but for citizens in the various republics of the union, the concept can be rather different.

Official documents emphasize the unity of this state of 270 million people made up of some 100 ethnic groups or nations, speaking 70-odd languages and having almost as many alphabets.

To practice, however, linguistically or in

economic and religious matters, local characteristics often take precedence over "class interests."

Thus, while the Communist Party officially acknowledges cultural pluralism, latent nationalism remains a major problem for the authorities.

The case of Georgia is a typical example.

This Black Sea republic of five million inhabitants is reputed for its nationalist tradition and is still resisting efforts to impose Russian as the dominant language.

The various attempts to abolish Georgian

state language have provoked strong hostile reactions toward Moscow. The last such

reaction was in the spring of 1981.

Moreover, within Georgia itself, the Abkhaz people who make up one-eighth of the population resent Georgian predominance, and have asked for their own autonomous republic to be integrated into the Russian republic. The authorities appear to have decided against repression, but the

problem remains.

The government is nevertheless working to generalize the principle of bilingualism with the parallel teaching of Russian and the local national language. Russian is the mother tongue of 130 million people within the union and is spoken by some 215 million Soviet citizens, according to the latest official census.

Knowledge of Russian is essential for one seeking a post of responsibility, and is a key factor in attempts to consolidate the union.

Religion, although not officially repressed, is frowned upon as a source of nationalistic feelings.

There are also 50 million Soviet Muslims, living mainly in the five republics of Central Asia. They appear to be successfully resisting the government's "Russification" policies, while mixed marriages are common among Ukraine Muslims and non-

Muslims.

The government actively encourages migration of labor in the belief that this will contribute to easing nationalist tensions. Russia and the Ukraine, the most industrialized regions, have a high population of migrant workers.

Treaty on ozone layer 'still far off'

GENEVA, Dec. 18 (R) — A global treaty to protect the ozone layer in the upper atmosphere, which screens earth from the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays, is still far off, experts at a United Nations meeting said here.

There is still too little agreement among experts from more than 20 countries about how seriously gas used to pressurize aerosols and high-flying aircraft can harm the ozone layer, they told Reuters. The week-long meeting, ended Friday, will probably

reconvene in mid-April to continue work toward a global treaty on protecting the ozone layer.

Less than one percent of the layer is now believed to have been depleted and participants at the meeting said a five percent depletion level would increase the risk of skin cancer by up to 20 percent.

The Soviet Union, which stayed away from earlier U.N. meeting on the ozone layer, is attending this session for the first time, participants said.

American jailed in car meter case

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP) — A federal judge has imposed a two-month jail term and \$35,000 in fines on a wholesale used-car dealer convicted of fraudulently reducing recorded odometer mileage on vehicles he sold in the United States and abroad.

U.S. District Judge Dudley B. Bonsal issued the sentence Thursday to Irwin Dillenberger, 40, of Alpine, New Jersey, who was convicted of eight fraud counts at a jury trial last Oct. 2.

Dillenberger bought and resold about 5,000 cars a year through Carib Autos Inc. in the Bronx and Transatlantic Trading Co. Ltd., which he operated from his home, said assistant U.S. attorney Frank Maas. Transatlantic shipped cars to dealers in England, Sweden, Norway and the Middle East.

It was brought out at trial that in one instance mileage was reduced from 84,071 to 34,071 on the odometer of a car before it was sold to a Providence, Rhode Island, dealer. It was also established that the odometer mileage on a used car purchased for \$7,080 was reduced from 12,000 to almost zero and was shipped under documents indicating it was new to a dealer in Sweden.

S.A. attack alleged

LUANDA, Dec. 18 (AFP) — South African aircraft dropped bombs on a railway station in southern Angola earlier this week, a state security official said. The official said Friday that four Mirage fighter-bombers dropped eight 400-kilogram bombs on the town of Assuncao 130 kilometers east of the port of Namibe, formerly Mocamedes, early last Tuesday.

There were no victims or damage reported, the official said, and steps had been taken by the local authorities to protect the area.

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Gen. Bignone vows to prevent attacks

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 18 (Agencies) — Argentine President Reynaldo Bignone has accepted full responsibility for police action against Thursday's mass anti-government demonstrations and pledged to prevent any attacks on his regime.

At a special cabinet meeting Friday Gen. Bignone said that if police on horseback had not charged the crowd, demonstrators might have attacked government headquarters. The president described the incidents as "grave," and warned that the government must take this week's events very seriously.

It was meanwhile learnt from family and union sources that one of two men reported dead in the rioting in fact died in a fall from building scaffolding at his place of work. This lowered the casualty toll to one dead and several dozen wounded. But authorities said several people were in a serious condition.

Gen. Bignone praised the police who "withstood for almost four hours all kinds of insults and reacted only on orders, when national security was genuinely threatened."

A radical section of the Argentine General Confederation of Trades Unions Friday night

\$4.6m ransom frees woman

ROSMALEN, Netherlands, Dec. 18 (AP) — The wife of a Dutch businessman kidnapped last month was released Friday night after payment of a ransom of 12.5 million guilders (\$4.6 million), police said.

Mrs. Antonia van der Valk was freed in good health near the southern Dutch city of Eindhoven after payment of the ransom Thursday morning in the West German city of Trier, according to police in Rosmalen, a village near her home. Trier is about 250

Legislator's house bombed in India

NEW DELHI, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Unknown assailants carried out a bomb attack on the house of state legislator Lakh Singh, a member of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's ruling Congress Party, in the strife-torn Punjab state, it was reported here Friday.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) said no one was hurt in the explosion which took place in the court yard of the house. A similar blast had rocked the house of Punjab state's Education Minister Harchand Singh Ajnala a few weeks ago. There were no casualties.

Meanwhile, retired Sikh soldiers rejected

denounced the "arrogance and insensitivity" of the government's repression of the demonstration, and pledged "direct action" if authorities failed to adopt an emergency program in a move toward civilian rule.

The mainstream of the union federation announced meanwhile a day of official mourning for the young man killed in the demonstration, said to have been shot by a plainclothes police officer.

Argentina's political party leaders hailed the mass demonstration as a victory for democracy and condemned police for the violence. In addition to the single fatality, 80 persons were injured and 120 arrested when rioting broke out in front of government house in Buenos Aires' historic Plaza de Mayo Square, police said.

A statement released by the multiparty grouping which organized the demonstration declared: "The march of the people for democracy was a massive display of repudiation for the government and its policies and a call for a return to institutional rule and a solution to the problems facing the nation."

kilometers from Eindhoven.

The ransom was delivered along a road on the outskirts of Trier, according to police, who said no contact was made between the deliverer of the ransom, who they refused to identify, and the kidnappers.

A three-nation alert was sounded in the Netherlands, Belgium and West Germany after the woman was kidnapped from her home in the southern Netherlands village of Nuland on Nov. 30 by a man at gunpoint.

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NEW DELHI, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Indian scientists are studying the possibility of controlling malaria using a species of mosquito which has an appetite for other mosquitoes, but shuns human blood. This unique species could be used as an agent to control the vectors that cause malaria and filariasis, according to scientists of the Vector Control Research Center (VCRC), in Pondicherry, south India.

In a statement issued in Chandigarh, the capital city of Punjab, the retired general said he had appealed to all former Sikh soldiers to reject the call. "We refuse to be exploited by politicians," he said.

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Hoxha alleges ex-premier plotted to kill him

VIENNA, Dec. 18 (R) — The late Albanian Prime Minister Mehmet Shehu, who committed suicide a year ago, was aided by his wife and two interior ministers in years of plotting to kill Communist leader Enver Hoxha, the intended victim said in newly published memoirs.

The day before he died Shehu received orders from the secret service of neighboring Yugoslavia to assassinate Hoxha at a Communist Party Politburo meeting the next day, even if he should lose his own life in doing so, Hoxha wrote.

But the 68-year-old prime minister, feeling trapped and fearing his treachery would at last be discovered, chose instead to kill himself. His wife assented, believing she and their sons would be saved, and the couple's reputation as life-long Communists preserved, Hoxha said.

He made the disclosures in a new 640-page book published in Tirana at the end of last week. An English-language version was made available to Reuters. It was the first authoritative detailed account of the circumstances surrounding Shehu's death, initially officially reported as due to "nervous distress" but subsequently linked with his unmasking as a "multiple foreign agent."

Hoxha said former Interior Minister Fecor Shehu went to the prime minister's home at 10 p.m. on Dec. 16 last year to deliver the Yugoslav order to assassinate the party leader. "Enver Hoxha must be killed at all costs, even in the meeting, even if Mehmet Shehu himself is killed," the message said, according to Hoxha.

The book described Fecor Shehu as "an anti-party element and sworn enemy of



Enver Hoxha

Albania" who had been unmasked after discovery of the prime minister's treason and arrested and handed over to justice organs for investigation. He served as interior minister from March 1980 until January this year, and was previously a deputy minister. Western experts on Albania differ over whether or not he is related to the late premier.

Hoxha, a 74-year-old wartime partisan commander who has ruled the small Balkan state of 2.7 million people for 38 years, also named Fecor Shehu's predecessor as interior minister, Kadri Haz

biu, as a fellow-conspirator, but did not say whether he too was being held. Hazi biu, 63, occupied the office for 16 years from 1954 until 1980 when he was appointed defense minister. He was replaced last month, but had disappeared from public view since last September.

Hoxha previously announced in a speech last month the arrest of a group of accomplices of Shehu, whom he accused of serving in turn the United States, British, Yugoslav and Soviet security and intelligence services. But this was the first time he identified any name.

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public sensation and to split the Communist Party and discredit its leadership, Shehu arranged for one of his sons to become engaged to a girl from a family whose members included six or seven former war criminals, including a notorious CIA agent, Hoxha added.

The party chief said evidence of Shehu's activity as an enemy agent came from documents found in his safe, and through questioning of his fellow-conspirators now in prison. He had headed the Albanian government since 1954.

Hoxha did not disclose what had happened to Shehu's 63-year-old widow Epuit, formerly a party central committee member and head of the party school, who was said to have traveled in April 1981 to Paris where a Yugoslav agent gave her slow-acting poison to administer to the party chief.

The Yugoslavs, alarmed by nationalists

riots earlier the same year in the southern province of Kosovo — inhabited mainly

by ethnic Albanians — wanted Hoxha assassinated so as to cause a political upheaval in Albania and to confuse patriotic and revolutionary Albanians in Yugoslavia, he said.

Hoxha said that as early as 1972 the Yugoslav security service and the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) separately proposed to Shehu three ways of killing the party leader — through a car accident, shooting by rifle from long range, or delayed-action poison.

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Bothe plan failed because the party intervened immediately and the engagement was broken off. Shehu was criticized for his major political mistake and ordered to make a self-criticism at a session of the 13-man Politburo, the party's inner cabinet, the party chief wrote.

It was on the eve of this Politburo meeting that Fecor Shehu delivered the Yugoslav ultimatum to the prime minister to eliminate Hoxha at all costs, the book

speculate on the ultimate prognosis for the 61-year-old retired dentist. But, said Peterson, "we've seen people worse off than Dr. Clark walk out with a full recovery."

On Dec. 2, Clark became the first human to receive a permanent artificial heart. His surgeon, Dr. William C. DeVries, said that when the operation began, Clark was within hours of death from the degenerative disease that destroyed his natural heart.

For the first time Thursday, Clark's wife Una Loy told him of the avid interest in him and his historic heart implant.

"Apparently Dr. Clark had no knowledge of any of this, had not seen it on television and had not been aware of the many telegrams Mrs. Clark had received and the hospital had received for them," Petersoo said.

Maclean declined to give details of his illness but said it was a "fairly normal problem" for people of his age.

The former career diplomat fled to the Soviet Union in 1951 with Guy Burgess, now dead, after being tipped that British and U.S. counterintelligence agents were preparing to arrest them for espionage.

Maclean took Soviet citizenship following his defection and now works as an analyst of British foreign policy at a Moscow institute.

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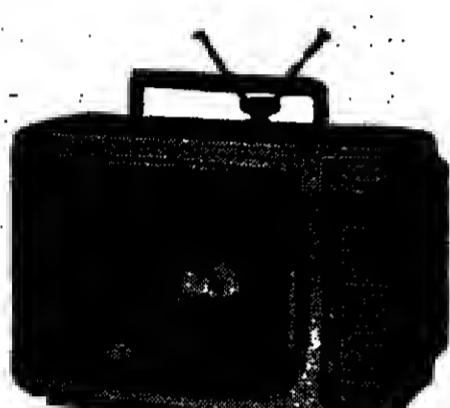
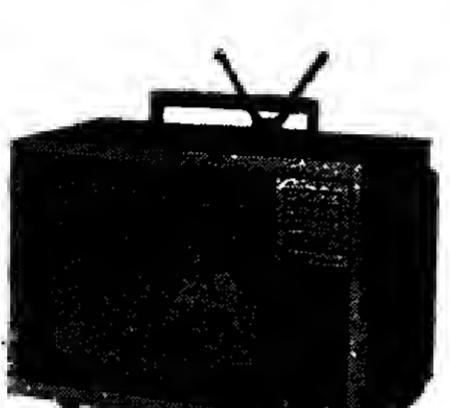
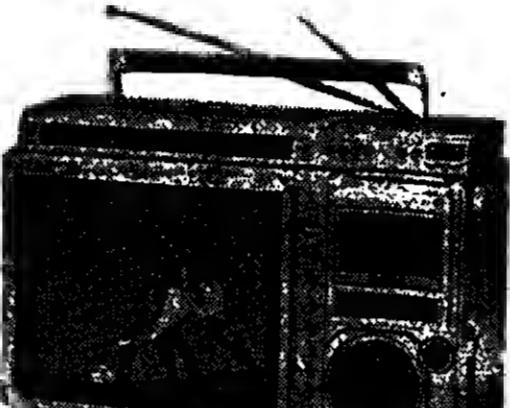
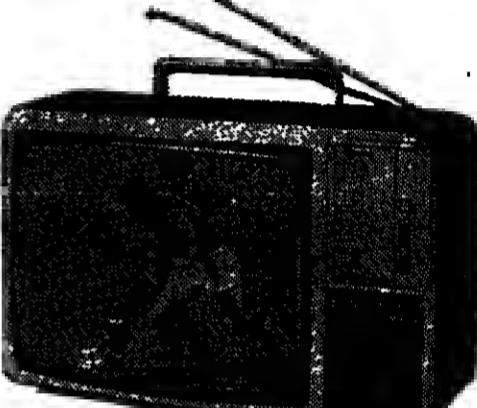
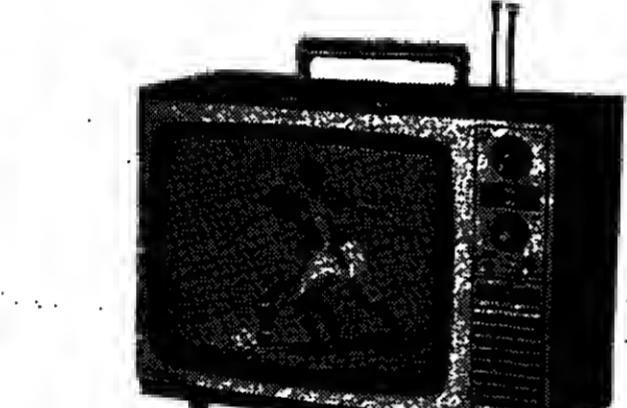
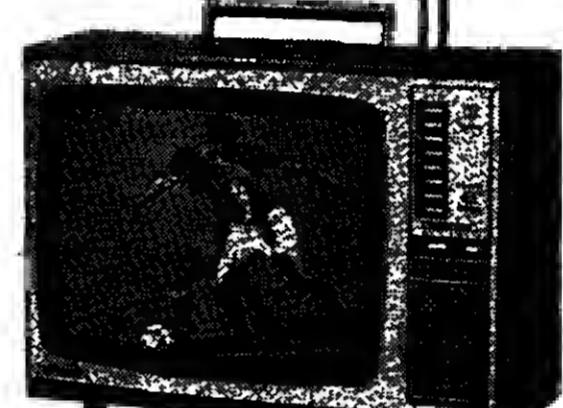
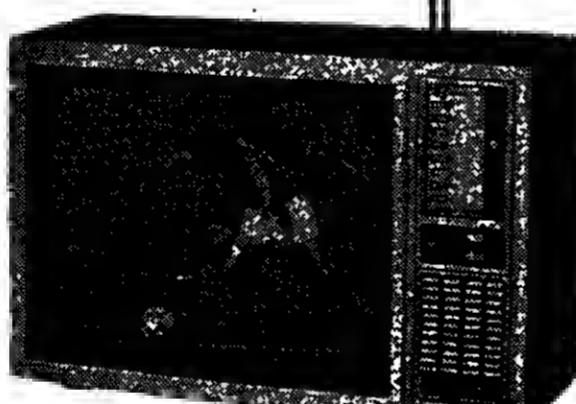
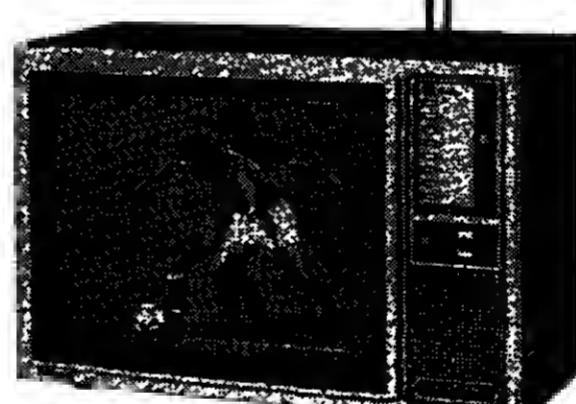
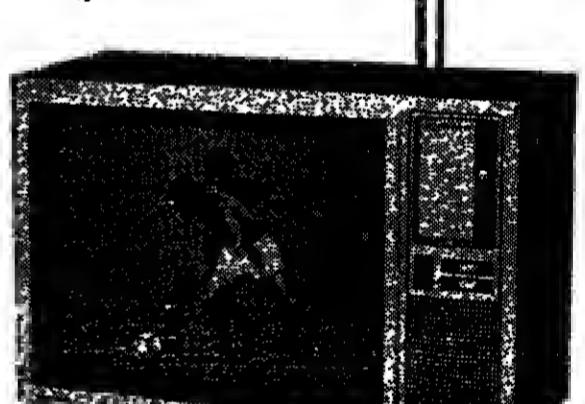
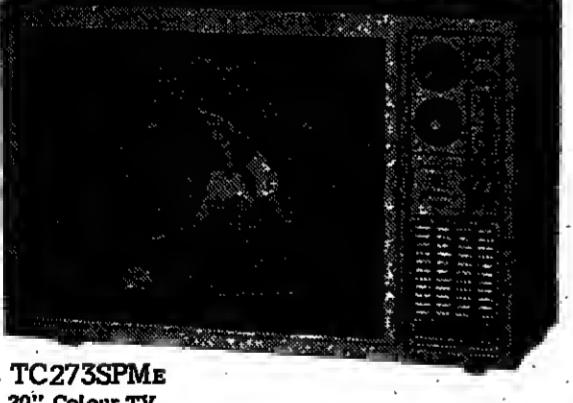
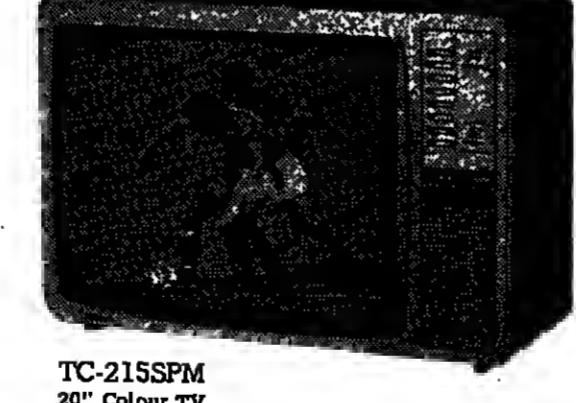
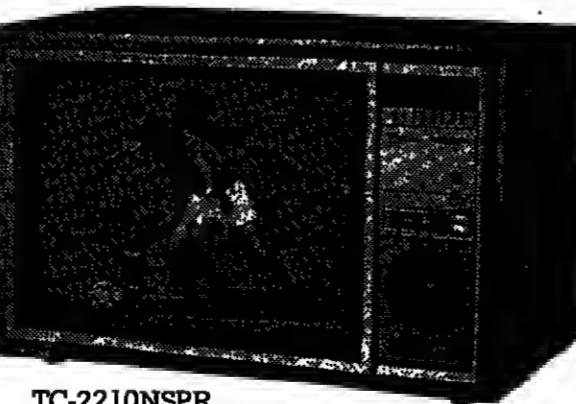
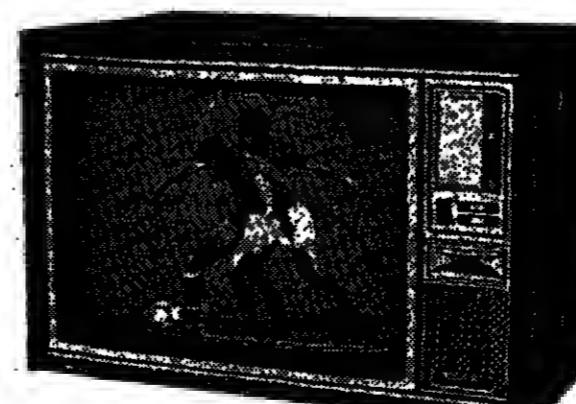
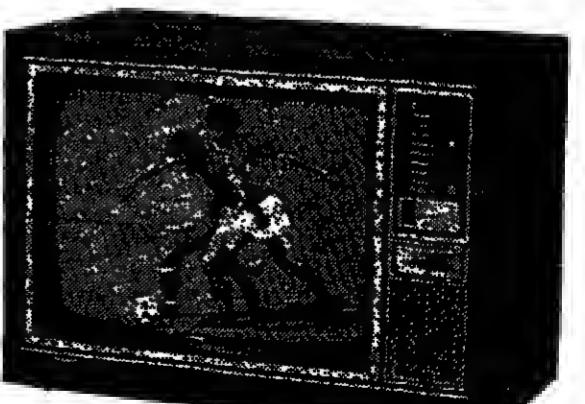
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With killers piling up in jails

Americans favor capital punishment

By Robert Chesshyre

WASHINGTON (LOS) — The execution of Charlie Brooks in a Texas state prison this month brings the United States very close to the surge of judicial killings long feared by death penalty abolitionists.

The significance of Brooks' death by lethal injection is that — unlike all but one of the other five men who have been executed since capital punishment began to be restored across the country five years ago — he did not want to die. His execution demonstrated that the complex appeals procedures that can keep people alive on death rows for as long as 10 years can be exhausted, and that appeal court and the U.S. Supreme Court itself are now in the mood to let the ultimate punishment be imposed.

On his final day of life Brooks' appeal was rejected in rapid succession no fewer than seven times — one court ruling twice. The Supreme Court voted 6-3 to let him die, showing a comfortable majority in favor of the death penalty, which may prove decisive in the months ahead, as other appeals work their way through the system.

There are 1,150 convicted killers in the prisons of 37 states awaiting execution, and that number is swollen by about three fresh death penalties a week. If a backlog of immense proportions is to be avoided, the hangings, shootings, gassings, electrocutions and injections will have to start in earnest very shortly, and that is just what Brooks' death makes feasible.

For there is no doubt that the public mood — created by the surge of violent crime that leaves almost no American untouched at least indirectly — is now more firmly in favor of the death penalty than at any time since the doubtful art of opinion polling was applied to such matters. Nearly three out of four Americans favor it, against well under half 15 years ago. Being tough on crime is a potent political platform that means there are very few state governors who would be prepared to exercise clemency.

After Brooks' death, commentators were reminded people of the dreadful fate of his victim rather than the possible inhumanity of his own execution. Brooks and a companion went to a used car lot and asked to test drive a car; the garage insisted that one of its mechanics drove with them, so thwarting their plan to steal it. They therefore drove to a motel, bound the mechanic hand and foot, and shot him through the head.

The two men were tried separately and the companion eventually received a 40-year



MOURNERS : Adrian Brooks (right) drops a handful of earth onto the coffin containing the body of his father, Charlie Brooks, who was executed on Dec. 7 for a 1976 murder.

sentence, from which he might be paroled in six years' time. Since no one established — in court at least — who fired the fatal shot, it is possible the "accomplice" has been executed and the gunman reprieved. Wherein lay the grounds for Brooks' appeals.

It is an individual case history that goes right to the heart of America's capital punishment debate. Since there are a staggering 400 murders a week, and only three death sentences imposed, the system is clearly

highly selective, allowing abolitionists to argue that so capricious and arbitrary a law violates Eighth Amendment guarantees against "cruel and unusual" punishment. How can the nation justify pumping Brooks full of potassium chloride, sodium thiopental and Pavulon when 397 people "get away with murder" each week? they ask.

The present chaotic state of affairs has its roots in the late 1960s, when all executions were halted while the Supreme Court ruled

on then-existing capital punishment laws, which it did in 1972, wiping them all out in one blow. However, it did not rule out the principle of the death penalty and most states went away and rewrote their laws, the vast majority of which are clearly going to satisfy the present Supreme Court.

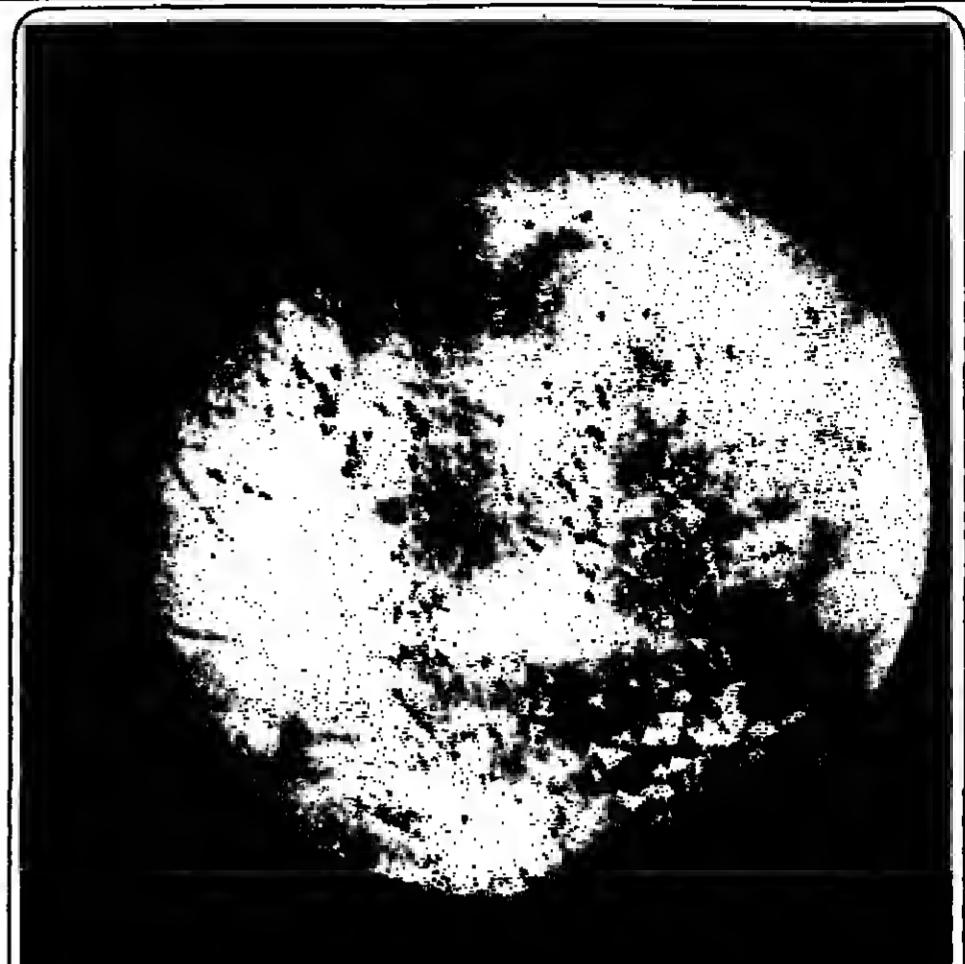
Everyone on death rows in 1972 was spared — including such unattractive characters as Charles Manson and Sirhan Sirhan, who shot Bobby Kennedy. Since then killers have been piling up in jails across the country while the new laws have been subjected to the seemingly endless rounds of appeals that are open to condemned people. Brooks' death indicates that judicial patience has worn out.

The first to feel the effect will be his own former fellow inmates — there are 171 other prisoners on Texan death rows — since it was the Texas law that passed the stringent examination of the appeals procedure. Each state in the last analysis must satisfy the Supreme Court of the constitutionality of its own law. What the abolitionists hope is that, although most members of the public will welcome the "get tough" message from Brooks' execution, they will not have the stomach for the orgy of death now threatened.

The Brooks case raises one other fundamental issue, which is how far doctors should collaborate to put someone to death rather than save life, as they are bound by oath. The fatal injection was not administered by a doctor but by a prison paramedic. However, a prison doctor did examine Brooks to see whether he was a suitable candidate for that form of death.

"He's got plenty of good veins — that's why I went over to see him," said the doctor. (They had to be large enough to accept a catheter needle.) The barbiturates used in the execution were issued from prison medical supplies, and medical technicians involved in the execution were working in part under the doctor's control — all of which draws a pretty thin line between the doctor and direct involvement.

Brooks himself ate a last meal of steak, donned gold trousers and a brown shirt open down the front, and allowed himself to be strapped to a surgical trolley from which tubes snaked away to his executioner hidden behind a curtain. He commanded his soul to Allah — he was converted to Islam while in jail — and urged his girl-friend "to be strong." Then, according to witnesses who included four journalists, he "gasped and wheezed" as the deadly potion flowed into the "good veins" of his right arm.



MOON EUROPA : Space scientists believe Europa, the incredibly cold, ice-covered moon of Jupiter, could support some primitive form of life. Europa, seen from the recent Voyager flyby, may have small, temporary oases in its suspected ice-covered oceans, scientists say.

Lunar mystery deepens after decade of research

By Keay Davidson

LA JOLLA, California (LAT) — Pieces of the sky sit in a locked safe here. A decade ago, they were expected to help solve one of history's biggest mysteries. But instead they have raised as many questions as they have settled.

Ten years ago this week astronauts left the moon for the last time, carrying bags of lunar rocks that some thought would answer an ageless question: Where did the solar system come from?

The question is unanswered after a decade of painstaking study of moon rocks from all six successful Apollo missions to the moon from 1969 to 1972. In a sense, moon rocks have made the question more confusing than ever.

Back in the 1960s, scientists such as Harold Urey, a Nobel laureate at the University of California, San Diego, predicted that the moon would turn out to be a kind of cosmic Rosetta stone, and archaeological

find that was the key to deciphering ancient hieroglyphics. Similarly, scientists thought the multi-billion-year-old ragged face of the moon was likely to hold secrets of the solar system's earliest days.

"At the time, everyone had the naive idea you were going to be able to push a button and make great discoveries," recalled Dr. James R. Arnold, who controls UC, San Diego's stash of moon rocks.

It did not turn out that way. For one thing, few moon rocks were not nearly as old as scientists had thought they would be. The solar system is believed to be close to 5 billion years old, yet most of the moon rocks were in the 3.7-billion-year range. (A few fragments were 4.6 billion years old.) Also,

mountains of scientific analyses of the rocks so far have not explained where the moon itself came from.

The moon rocks have largely put to rest a

once-widely held theory that earth's gravity "caught" the moon as it drifted, like a derelict planet through space. The chemical similarities between the moon rocks and earth samples would be an extraordinary coincidence if this theory were true, most scientists agree.

The moon rocks also exploded the traditional theory that the planets and moons formed from an accumulation of countless rocks and boulders, which had condensed from an early nebulae or cloud of dust and gases. Calculations supporting that theory indicated that the entire condensation process should have taken a few million years at most. Yet the moon rocks showed the lunar surface had been battered by rocks or meteors much longer than that, about 600 million years.

Since then, space probes have photographed other planets — heavily cratered surfaces. The craters prove that the entire solar system experienced the same blizzard of meteors for hundreds of millions of years.

"The mystery is, why did it take so long for the solar system to form?" Arnold asks. "We're missing something.... There's some aspect of the subject that's eluding us."

Arnold thinks the moon will turn out to be a "Rosetta stone" after all, but it will take more research than previously suspected.

Meanwhile, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is parceling out its moon rocks slowly and carefully. A committee scrutinizes each request for samples and most of the rocks have not even been examined.

It has been a fascinating decade for Arnold, a chemist and one of the nation's most distinguished space scientists. Now director of the California Space Institute, he served on NASA's moon rock committee during the early days of lunar landings. He has supervised the study of more than a pound of moon rocks at UC, San Diego.

'Spare-time' guerrillas terrorize West Germans

By Nick Staudinger

BONN (AP) — They're known as "spare-time" terrorists, but authorities here now rate the Revolutionary Cells as the most dangerous left-wing guerrilla group in West Germany.

So far the group has proven less deadly than the Baader-Meinhof gang, which terrorized Western Europe for 10 years and was blamed in 30 political killings and a number of kidnappings, bank robberies and bombings. However, security forces are having difficulty cracking the cells because it is thought to operate in small gangs of two to five persons. Only five members of the group have so far been identified, and none has been caught.

What worries West German authorities about the cells is the volume of their activities, often bomb or arson attacks on American military installations or American military housing areas. There have been 60 attacks on Americans, mostly soldiers, or their property this year. On Wednesday, a bomb went off in a car near the military shopping area in Darmstadt, and an American soldier received minor burns and head and leg injuries from the blast. Another soldier was injured Tuesday in one of two other car blasts.

No one has claimed responsibility for the latest attacks. However, federal prosecutor Kert Rebmann said last week that 30 of 285 terrorist incidents this year have been attributed to the Revolutionary Cells, while sympathizers of the Baader-Meinhof gang were believed responsible for 16 others.

Bombing incidents have become "a normal thing," said Horst Herold, an authority on criminology and former chief of the Wiesbaden-based federal criminal office. The emergence of the Revolutionary Cells as the nation's most feared terrorist group follows the arrests last month of three persons believed to be ringleaders in Baader-Meinhof gang. Authorities say the arrests broke the gang's command structure.

Unlike Baader-Meinhof gang members, who spent most of their time in hiding, the report said the cells are made up of "spare-

The staff is always right at Soviet holiday resort

By Michael Dobbs

screams "If you think you can jump the line, you've got another thing coming. A boat like this is too good for y'all like you."

The captain's ranting, which continues for a good five minutes, divides the crowd. Some grin in amusement. A few resent being yelled at and start to argue back. The majority seem to accept the need for a "strong hand" to bully them into line, even on vacation.

A bold Soviet-style is a curious, if hollow, institution. The Russian word is *otputst*, which means literally "letting go" — and that certainly forms a major part of what Russians look for in places like Yalta. But there are also constant reminders that they are not here solely for their own good.

"The health of each is the wealth of all" proclaims a slogan on one of Yalta's pebbled beaches — providing the ideological justification for a host of regulations that prescribe exactly what a Soviet vacationer may or may not do.

"In future, I order you to come to breakfast between 8 and 11. It will be better for you and better for us," the hostess at the restaurant of the 3,000-bed, 16-story Yalta Hotel told a couple of Western visitors who showed up late one morning. Her limited English (she probably wanted to say "advise") produced an unfortunate effect — but one that caught the spirit of an establishment where the staff, not the customer, is always right.

As if sensing that this was somehow irregular, she added hastily, "since coming here the children have caught colds — So now they're being treated for that."

Part of the attraction of health resorts for Russians is that they combine pleasant relaxation with the virtuous feeling of obeying orders. In addition to "climate therapy," other cures prescribed by Dr. Spartesnaya include breathing air tinted with peach oil, walking in the woods, massages and sleeping in the open air.

Perhaps the most intriguing cure, however, is "grape therapy." To improve their intake of glucose, patients start off by munching their way through a pound of succulent grapes a day. The dosage is then increased by stages to 10 pounds a day, that, Dr. Spartes-

naya insists, is "excellent for the heart muscles."

Vacationing in the Crimea reflects both the good and bad of Soviet life. Sanatoriums and rest homes are heavily subsidized by the state so many working class families end up paying virtually nothing for a two or three-week vacation by the sea. One of the government's proudest boasts is that, while only wealthy aristocrats could afford a holiday in a resort like Yalta before the 1917 Revolution, now anyone can.

With holiday accommodation still relatively scarce, however, there has to be some kind of rationing system. Where previously it was money, now it is *bilat* — the Russian word for influence, clout, connections.

The trade unions have responsibility for allocating vacation vouchers. Inevitably, most vouchers go to workers who prove themselves politically reliable or otherwise deserving. They also go to managers or trade union activists themselves. Everybody else — i.e., nine-tenths of the population — has to fend for himself.

August is, of course, a terrible month for the independent vacationer since everything is full. Planes and trains are booked for weeks ahead and even privately rented rooms are scarce. Prices for food on local markets shoot up.

Needless to say, there are ways to beat the system.

An office worker from Moscow described how she had managed to get tickets on the plane down to the Crimea by bribing the girl at the travel office with promises of theater tickets. A store clerk said she had acquired a hotel voucher from one of her customers whom she plied with goods from under the counter.

The easiest method of enjoying a holiday in Yalta, however, is to pay in hard currency as a foreigner. Then everything becomes possible: plane tickets, hotel accommodations, private rooms in overcrowded restaurants, chauffeur-driven limousines.

The paradox is that 65 years after the Revolution the most privileged vacationers here are tourists from the capitalist West.

By Peter J.

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MEDICAL ETTERS

(Replies to and from readers:)

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: Like so many people who thought they suffered from "colds that would not go away," I at last learned that my trouble is allergic rhinitis. My doctor and I have tried all kinds of ways to bring relief, but the allergy persists. Antihistamines sometimes help, but they make me too sleepy. (The medicine is worse than the cure!) I'd appreciate any information on this stubborn condition. — Mrs. Y.

Dear Mrs. Y.: You have company — lots of it. At least 22 million Americans are allergic to inhaled irritants. Allergies are caused by substances called allergens. When you're exposed to these allergens you may develop an allergic reaction — in your case, allergic rhinitis. Here are some common allergens: pollens from weeds, grasses, flowers and trees; from feathers, molds, dander from animals, dust, chemical sprays, foods and food additives. You can come in contact with allergens by way of breathing, touching or eating them. Sensitive areas after all allergens produce their inflammation and irritation are the nose, lungs and the stomach and intestines. Sensitivity may develop after repeated exposure to the allergens. The patient with allergic rhinitis develops a runny nose, swollen and itchy eyes, irritated and inflamed throat. Simple treatment would be complete escape from allergens. But this is not possible.

The next best is to lessen exposure: keep the home dust free, destroy mold spores, check on possible allergic foods, stay away from pollen during height of season by staying indoors or putting off a trip

to the country. Air conditioners and other filters help clear the air of allergens. Desensitization often helps. As you see, Mrs. Y. it's a continual battle.

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: My mate is a chronic snorer. I am a light andassy sleeper and my sleep is suffering. I'm becoming an exhausted wreck. We don't wish to sleep in separate rooms. I continually wake him to ask him to roll over to stop the snoring. Therefore, we keep each other up most of the night. Our relationship is suffering and it may come to an end in divorce unless we get some kind of help. Any suggestions? — Mrs. D.

Dear Mrs. D.: The solution is simple, yet you won't accept it. Unless you're seeking an excuse for divorce, how about sleeping in separate bedrooms?

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: My husband and I are constantly arguing about his chain smoking. I'm worried that the smoke will affect our three-month-old son. My husband insists that "the baby has to get used to it sooner or later." Who's right? — Mrs. P.

Dear Mrs. P.: Of course, you are. Tell him that he's actually inviting frequent colds, bronchitis — even pneumonia — for an innocent infant who would appreciate fresh, unpolluted air. (Tomorrow: Don't blame the potato)

U.S. House approves Caribbean trade plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP) — The House of Representatives passed President Ronald Reagan's program for duty-free imports from the Caribbean over the protests of Democrats that it would export jobs even while the president is opposing their job-creating bill.

"This bill takes more jobs away from the American people," Speaker of the House Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. told reporters.

Democrats said they were incensed to be considering the bill in the light of Reagan's threat to veto a stopgap spending measure because it contains the Democratic jobs program that he opposes.

Reagan, in a letter to members, said the bill "represents an approach to development that Americans believe in: Earning one's own way through trade."

Republican Rep. James H. Quillen of Tennessee said that "far from costing U.S. workers jobs, the measure will protect U.S. jobs by reducing an influx of workers from the Caribbean."

The bill was approved 260-141. It is the second half of Reagan's Caribbean Basin Initiative, which the president announced Feb. 24 at a meeting of the Organization of American States.

U.K. bank to aid Argentina

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP) — The Bank of England declared that it would support International Monetary Fund efforts to help Argentina overcome its huge debt problems.

And banking circles reported that British banks had finally agreed to extend new short-term \$100 million loan to Buenos Aires.

Last weekend the *Sunday Mail* newspaper sparked a public furor here with its allegation that British aid to Argentina could be spent on military gear that could be used against Britain in any future conflict over the Falkland Islands.

The British banks responded that their loan would be part of a \$1.1 billion IMF loan that would be accompanied by strict rules ensuring that the money would not be spent for military purposes.

But, still afraid of "bad publicity", the banks told the Bank of England that they needed a public go-ahead from both the cen-

ACP urges talks on Stabex fund

BRUSSELS, Dec. 18 (AP) — Ministers of the 63 ACP (African, Caribbean and Pacific) countries linked to the European Economic Community under the Lome convention have called for a special joint meeting next year to discuss the Stabex fund for stabilizing their export revenues.

The call for a joint ACP-EEC conference in March or April came during the three-day ministerial meeting chaired by Industry and Trade Minister Desmond Arrey of Trinidad and Tobago, which ended here Thursday.

Norway finds more gas, oil in N. Sea

STAVANGER, Norway, Dec. 18 (AP) — Estimates of recoverable reserves of oil and gas in Norway's large offshore Oseberg field in the North Sea will be considerably upgraded next year, according to the oil directorate here.

The announcement came after field operator Norsk Hydro found more oil and gas in the field's previously untouched Gamma structure.

The areas are owned by Statoil, ELF Aquitaine, Norsk Hydro, Mobil, Saga Petroleum and Total Marine.

French trade deficit rises to \$985m

PARIS, Dec. 18 (AP) — France's trade deficit rose to 6.8 billion francs (about \$985 million) last month, compared with 6,300 million francs in October, the foreign trade ministry has announced.

Giving figures corrected for seasonal variations, the department said that imports last month totaled 64.4 billion francs (\$9.2 billion) against exports of 57.6 billion francs (\$8.2 billion).

The coverage ratio of exports to imports was 89 percent, down from 89.9 percent in October. The January-November trade deficit stands at 86.7 billion francs (\$12.4 billion).

Observers said that France's total 1982 trade deficit should not exceed 100 billion francs (about \$14 billion). But this is still sharply higher than last year's 59 billion francs (about \$8.4 billion) deficit.

The monthly deficit peaked at 13.3 billion francs (\$1.9 billion) in June. But last month it was held below 7 billion francs (\$1 billion) for the second consecutive month.

The relative improvement is, however, more the result of sluggish increase in imports than a marked rise in exports.

In an interview Friday, Foreign Trade Minister Michael Jibert warned that a country could not "live long on credit, beyond its means, consuming and not producing."

Bankers remain asked to sacrifice a pebble of protectionism in order to deliver a mountain of opportunity for the nations of the Caribbean," said Republican Rep. Guy Van der Jagt of Michigan.

Laker launches new travel firm

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP) — Sir Freddie Laker, maverick pioneer of cut-rate air travel whose skytrain business collapsed last February, reached for the sky again Friday with a new package tour company he hopes will challenge the big names in the vacation business.

He vowed that one day he'll be back in the aviation business — despite fierce opposition from his old foes, the major holiday operators and the big airlines he once forced to slash their fares.

"We're off and running again," the 59-year-old Laker boasted at a party to announce his new venture, Skytrain Holidays, offering low-price vacations in the United States, Canada and Europe.

WASHINGON, Dec. 18 (AP) — The United States is considering cutting the interest rates it charges on loans that induce other countries to buy U.S. products, after long efforts to get other countries to raise the rates they offer.

President William H. Draper III of the government's Export-Import Bank told a news conference Friday that he would try to get other countries, such as France and Britain, to agree to let the rates on such loans float up and down with the cost of loans on the market.

The object, he said, is to eliminate the subsidy in the rates. In recent years governments of other countries have been charging lower rates than they have to pay themselves in borrow the money, with taxpayers paying the difference.

The Export-Import Bank, which in practice finances only exports, lent \$3.5 billion in the year that ended last Sept. 30. It lost about 200 million, but because the amount of loans

Weekly commodities

Fed cutting base rate sends prices soaring

"futures" market followed the trend closely, with trading noticeably tailing off as the week progressed.

Copper: Irregular. After early falls following the sharp rise in stocks (up 6,629 tons to 222,500 tons, the highest since May 1979) and the cut in U.S. producer prices, went firmer with gold. But heavy U.S. speculative selling developed from the same quarters that had previously pushed the market to 13-month highs last week.

The final flurry saw values returning to around last Friday's level as U.S. producers re-instated some of their previous price cuts and Inco (Canada) announced it would be basing its selling price from January on the New York spot price plus a five cent premium.

Tin: Barely steady. Influential buying, believed to be connected with Malaysian producers, hoisted prices to their highest for three months in front of the International Tin Council meeting this week. As largely anticipated the council extended present exports controls in the new year (representing a 36 percent cut in normal imports). Rumors that the council's buffer stock was in financial difficulties caused prices to ease, although buffer stock buying was still evident. Stocks were down

by 225 tons to 32,560 tons.

Lead: Steadier. As prices skinned along just above recent six-year lows, producer buying appeared and a firm rally developed. Stocks showed little change (down 25 tons to 123,925 tons).

Zinc: Irregularly firmer. Fluctuated in line with other metals at first, before turning a little firmer on news that the EEC had accepted a plan by major European producers to cut output by between 150,000/200,000 tons.

Silver: Erratic. Early falls induced by continuing rising stocks (up 420,000 ounces to 34,760,000 ounces) were quickly erased and prices went sharply higher with gold. But later the market turned back again as New York hesitated, and reports circulated that U.S. stockpile sales may be resumed.

Aluminum: Quieter. Prices held close to last week's levels in somewhat quieter conditions than usual, although there was a burst of activity following German forecasts of a "sharp price recovery in the near future."

Nickel: Easier. Profit-taking quickly developed after last week's firmness following the sharp rise in market stocks (up 348 tons to 4,230 tons, the highest total since January last year).

America to lend Nepal \$12.25m

KATHMANDU, Dec. 18 (AP) — The United States signed three separate agreements to provide Nepal with a grant assistance totaling \$12.25 million during 1982-83 fiscal year.

The agreements were signed here by U.S. Ambassador Carleton S. Coon Jr. and finance secretary Karma Dhoj Adhikari of Nepal.

Under the agreements, a sum of \$3.2 million is provided to an integrated rural development project in south Nepal and \$4.8 million to a resources conservation and mitigation project of this mountainous country.

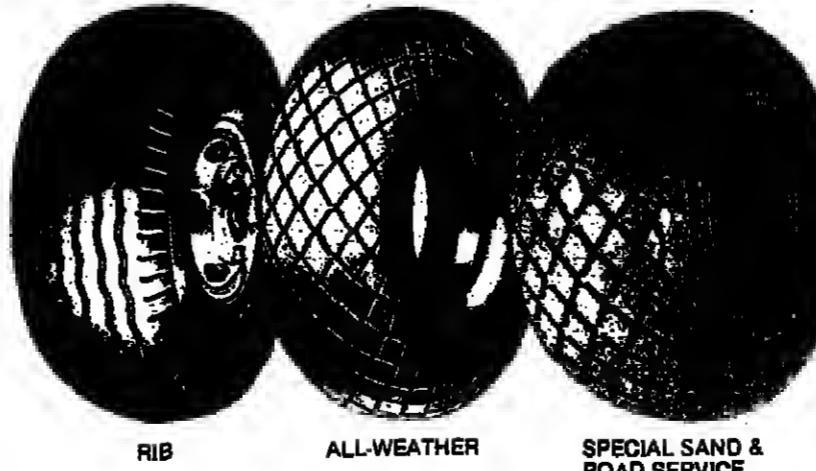
And \$4.25 million is also allocated to an integrated rural health and family planning project with an objective directed at the national goals of improving the health and longevity of the majority of people who live in the rural areas.



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Sequel to revenue fall

OPEC aid declines to \$ 7.8b

PARIS, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Declining oil revenues and the war in the Gulf have contributed to a decline in official development assistance (ODA) from members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), according to data released here.

"OPEC aid dropped last year to its lowest level since 1973," the Development Assistance Committee (DAC), grouping 17 donor countries of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, said in its annual report.

It said OPEC aid was down to \$7.8 billion last year from \$9.1 billion in 1980, equalling 1.46 percent of OPEC donor countries' gross national product (GNP) against 1.74 percent a year earlier.

This was well below the peak rate of 2.20 percent recorded by OPEC in 1975, in the wake of the quadrupling of oil prices in 1973-74. But it was far better than the performance of the DAC countries, including the United States and Japan. Their overall ODA was down last year to 0.35 percent of GNP, against 0.38 percent in 1980, at \$25.6 billion against \$27.3 billion.

It was ten times more in GNP terms than aid from the Soviet Union and its Comecon partners, at about 2.1 billion or 0.14 percent of their "estimated" GNP. The aid of these

countries was almost exclusively directed to Communist countries, the report added.

The DAC report said the "major" factor in the decline in OPEC aid was a sharp, nearly \$700 million, cutback in Iraqi ODA disbursements, which were down to \$143 million. At the same time, Iran provided aid totaling \$750 million — last year, but only \$7 million in 1980, showed a "negative" aid balance last year because it received a net \$150 million in repayments of loans, the report said.

The report said the list of OPEC aid donors was "increasingly limited to the four Gulf countries" which provided 95 percent of OPEC aid last year, up from 85 percent in 1980. Saudi Arabia accounted for \$5.8 billion.

MOSCOW, Dec. 18 (R) — A group of Soviet officials ran a "ghost factory" staffed by fictitious workers and cashed in pay and even productivity bonuses for the non-existent labor force, Pravda said Saturday.

Reporting one of the biggest corruption scandals ever admitted in the Soviet press, the Communist Party daily said nine officials and technicians, one a party member, had been jailed following a recent trial.

The group informed the authorities that a farm machine renovation factory near Leningrad had gone into operation in 1978 when the shell of the building was not even completed.

For many months the factory managers reported fulfilling production targets and even exceeding them, and nominated ghost workers on their fictitious staff list for bonuses.

All this time the factory's equipment was lying outside the building and rusting in the rain because the officials made no attempt to have it installed, Pravda said. The report said the swindle was uncovered when some who were aware of it wrote to the party central

committee. It did not elaborate.

The report also gave no details of how much money the group had made from their trick. It said the factory manager, K. Nikiforov, had been sentenced to four years in a strict regime labor camp and confiscation of all his property.

The eight other members of the group had been jailed for periods ranging from one to four years. A drive against corruption has been under way in the Soviet Union for some months and new party leader Yuri Andropov has made clear he intends to intensify by appointing former KGB security police chiefs to key posts in the leadership.

But although Saturday's Pravda report appeared intended to show that the purge was still going ahead, the sentences meted out to the officials involved were relatively mild by Soviet standards.

Agricultural Construction Minister Ieapan Khotrov was replaced 10 days ago and it appeared possible Saturday that this move was linked with the trial of the officials in Leningrad.

Senate fails to pass spending bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP) — With

much of the American government on the verge of a shutdown, the U.S. Senate was to return to work Saturday on an emergency spending bill that appeared headed for a presidential veto.

After meeting continuously for more than 37 hours, the Senate gave up Friday night and recessed before resuming work Saturday on the measure. Technically much of the government had run out of money after a mid-November deadline to pass a new spending bill. Approval of the new bill has been held up by disagreement in both chambers of Congress over measures on creating jobs, spending and other matters.

Majority Leader Senator Howard H. Baker Jr., Republican-Tennessee, said Friday night the "burner of fatigue" had become "too much for legislators and they should get a

fresh start Saturday.

After the Senate completed work on the stopgap bill, congressional negotiators were to meet to iron out differences between the Senate bill and a version passed earlier by the House of Representatives.

The emergency spending bill is necessary because only five of the 13 regular annual appropriations bills needed to keep the American government in business have been passed. Of those five only three have been signed by President Ronald Reagan.

The federal government will have to shut down agencies that run on money from Congress if new spending bills are not approved.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said the first non-essential federal employees would be sent home on Tuesday at the earliest. He said the office of management and budget was notifying departments and agencies how they should proceed in the event no spending measure is passed and signed by the president before then.

Despite a move Friday by Senate leaders of Reagan's Republican Party to delete a \$1.2 billion jobs plan, the Senate voted 50-46 to keep the money in. Baker told his colleagues that Reagan would not approve such a package even on new year eve."

The House measure, meanwhile includes a \$5.4-billion jobs plan, which the president has denounced as special interest politics.

Reagan has said he won't sign any bill that reaches his desk with either jobs package. The American president can veto a bill and it then takes a two-thirds vote in Congress to override the veto.

An official from Total-China, a subsidiary of the French oil company Total, described the find as "important and very encouraging."

In a report monitored here, the agency said

Tanker mart activity in full swing

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Contrary to general expectation, business developed pace this week on the tanker market on the eve of the ministerial meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries this weekend.

The weakness in demand continued for the supertankers (ULCC's and VLCC's) — ultra large and very large crude oil carriers) in the Gulf area, but smaller vessels in the 100,000-ton category were in demand.

VLCC's were said to have been fixed out of

the area, but no rates were available. Smaller tankers from Iran's Kharg Island were fixed for Western and Far-Eastern destinations.

The U.K./North-West Europe region attracted a lot of attention, too, for inter-European and U.S. discharge. The Black Sea oil trade were also popular.

N. Yemen, Russia sign agreement

MANAMA, Dec. 18 (AFP) — North Yemen and the Soviet Union have signed their first economic and technological cooperation agreement. North Yemen Vice Prime Minister for Economic Affairs Hassan Makkhi said Saturday, the Iraqi INA news agency reported.

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China finds oil

PEKING, Dec. 18 (AFP) — A third oil discovery was recently made in southern China's Beihai Gulf by the French company "Total-Chine" and the South China Sea Oil Company of China. The People's Daily reported Saturday.

An official from Total-Chine, a subsidiary of the French oil company Total, described the find as "important and very encouraging."

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In second session

India turn the tables on Kiwis

MELBOURNE, Dec. 18 (AFP) — India reached the final of the Esanda (10-netto) Hockey Tournament here Saturday by beating New Zealand 3-2 in a fast and exciting match. They will meet Australia, who beat the Netherlands 2-1.

It was a game of changing fortunes with New Zealand leading 1-0 at half time and India coming back strongly to take control in the second half.

India raised their game after Mohammed Shahid had come on as a substitute for Sayeed Ali immediately after the interval. At that stage India had fallen back and were not moving too well against a stout-hearted New Zealand defence in which Grant McLeod and Robin Wilson were towers of strength. Shahid put new life into the Indian attack and scored the equalizer.

Charlesworth's day

MELBOURNE, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Australia worked extremely hard to beat the Netherlands 2-1 here Saturday in the semi-final round of the Esanda Hockey Tournament.

The match was a personal triumph for the Australian captain, Richard Charlesworth, who stole the show. He moved at great speed, never gave up trying and in the end set up the chance which led to Australia's winning goal in the 56th minute.

This goal, however, led to controversy. The Dutch goalkeeper protested to the umpire, Ian Faulkner of New Zealand, that the ball had struck the shoulder of Colin Batch before it flew into the net.

The umpire consulted his partner, Santiago Deo, who said that he did not see what had happened and Faulkner stuck to his decision to award Australia the goal.

The Dutch coach Wim Van Heumen was sad that his team had lost in this way but added "Who things happen so fast they can escape the notice of the best umpires in the world. Three of our players were injured and Bouwman did not have much freedom, he did break away on a few occasions." Van Heumen gave every credit to Charlesworth for his superb game.

The Australian defence stood up well under pressure and the halfback line kept the forwards moving with a steady stream of passes. Terry Smith in particular making good use of the open spaces. Colin Batch was the most enterprising of Australia's forwards.

The Netherlands went ahead in the 12th minute with Roderik Bouwman converting a short-corner. But three minutes later Charlesworth sent Peter Hazelhurst racing through a gap to put Australia on equal terms.

The Netherlands had a short period of ascendancy early in the second half when Tom Van't Hek came near to a score, failing at the crucial moment to take a shot.

India also profited by another substitution when Mervyn Fernandes replaced Marcellus Gomes. Fernandes began to combine well with Shahid and the New Zealand defence was put under pressure. When they were 2-1 down, New Zealand also made a substitution, taking off Peter Daji and bringing on Mark Burt.

Maunsell admitted that they lost the initiative after taking the lead but added "We were a little unsettled after Stuart Grimshaw took a bad knock on the knee and that was when India scored their second goal." But he added "I am glad that we are back where we really belong among the top six in the world".

Indian manager Balbir Singh said: "It was a hard game and New Zealand gave us a tough fight but in the end we were a superior driving force and I think we deserved to win."

Many hard knocks were given and received and two Indian players, Jalal-ud-Din and Joaquim Carvalho were shown the yellow card and sent off for temporary suspension while they were off the field. New Zealand scored their second goal to bring the score to 2-2.

The game began at a slow pace with both sides searching cautiously for an opening. India forced the first short-corner but nothing came of it. From the 15th minute New Zealand began to look more enterprising and George Carnoudos twice came through sharply on the left.

In the 25th minute New Zealand forced a short-corner when a free-hit taken on the right was stopped in the circle by an Indian defender's foot. Grant McLeod scored with a well-placed shot. But four minutes later New Zealand lost a great chance of increasing their lead when Daji went through the defence only to push the ball weakly into the goalkeeper's pads.

India drew level in the 46th minute when Shahid, moving beautifully on the right scored with a sharp angular shot. Three minutes later Shahid ran fast on the left and back passed to Jalal-ud-Din to put India in the lead. With two Indian players off the field, New Zealand took the score to 2-2 with a great goal by Ramesh Patel, who picked the ball off the goalkeeper's pads after a shot by Peter Miskimmin.

There were just eight minutes to go when the Dutch launched a fierce counter-offensive but Australia refused to yield. The last chance for the Dutch was lost when Van't Hek was dispossessed by the Australian goalkeeper after a fine center from the right by Bouwman.

But New Zealand's joy was short-lived. Seven minutes before the end, Vineet Kumar converted a short-corner to put India into the lead. "It was not the best result for us," Maunsell said. "But it was a fantastic game of hockey."



TENSE MOMENT: England goalkeeper Taylor rushes out to block a short-corner as teammates Barber (left) and Leaman cover the goal during their Esanda Hockey League clash against Australia. The match ended goalless.



ALL IN THE GAME: Mike "Dynamite" Dokes (left) puts his arm around Mike Weaver after winning a controversial bout to be crowned the new WBA champ recently in Las Vegas.

Mike Weaver apologizes

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, Dec. 18 (AP) — Mike Weaver, who lost his world Boxing Association heavyweight title last week to Michael Dokes, has apologized to the Nevada Athletic Commission for remarks he made after the bout.

In a telegram to commission chairman Sig Rogich, Weaver said he did not mean to imply the commission was involved in any "fix" of the controversial bout. "I did not mean to question the integrity of the Nevada Athletic Commission," the telegram read. "The sudden decision and fact I

was so upset led to my unfortunate remarks."

The title bout ended suddenly when referee Joey Curtis stopped the fight at 1:03 of the first round with Weaver offering no resistance to a swarming attack by Dokes.

Weaver said at a press conference after the bout that he thought promoter Don King and others had conspired to pick a referee who would stop the bout quickly.

In his telegram, Weaver said that "Although I did not agree with the referee's decision," he wanted to offer his "sincerest apology" for the remarks.

As Bridgeman excels

Depleted Bucks rout Bulls

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP) — Milwaukee's Junior Bridgeman came off the bench Friday to score 30 points to lead the Bucks to a 115-93 victory over the Chicago Bulls in the National Basketball Association.

Bridgeman, playing mostly forward for the injury-depleted Bucks, scored 14 of his points in the third quarter when the Bucks put the game away.

Milwaukee's reserve center Alton Lister also had a good game, neutralizing Chicago's inside game with six blocked shots and a team-high 10 rebounds.

Dave Cowens, starting a second consecutive game in center for the Bucks in place of the injured Bob Lanier, added 10 points and hauled down nine rebounds against the taller Bulls. Reggie Theus led the Bucks with 23 points.

In other NBA action, it was Los Angeles 117, New Jersey 106; San Antonio 110 Utah 103; Houston 114, Indiana 107; Philadelphia 109, New York 95; Washington 115, Detroit 110; and Seattle 93, Kansas City 90.

Lakers 117, Nets 106; Jamaal Wilkes scored 27 points, 15 in the final quarter, to lead Los Angeles over New Jersey. The Lakers had five other players in double figures, including rookie James Worthy with 21 points.

The Nets, who dropped their third straight game, were led by Darvin Cook with 21 points and Buck Williams with 20. Since joining the NBA, the Nets have now lost 16 of their 19 meetings with the Lakers.

Spurs 110, Jazz 103; Mike Mitchell scored 26 points and San Antonio outscored Utah 10-0 midway through the final quarter to beat the Jazz.

The Spurs' scoring burst followed a 14-0 Jazz streak, led by Ben Piquette's eight points, that closed San Antonio's lead to three points with 9:36 to play. The Spurs had led by 17 points with one minute left in the third quarter.

San Antonio's fourth quarter burst was led by Johnnie Moore and George Gervin, who tossed in four points apiece for a 94-81 margin with 6:30 left.

Rockets 114, Pacers 107: Allen Leavell scored 21 points and had 10 assists to lead Houston over Indiana. The Rockets led by as many as 14 points in the fourth quarter, but the Pacers fought back to within a point, 99-98, on Herb Williams' jumper with 5:05 left.

Two straight baskets by Leavell gave the Rockets some breathing room. Butch Carter's three-point goal with 56 seconds left cut

the lead to 109-107, but Calvio Murphy's 18-foot jumper off a Leavell feed and Leavell's foul shot with 27 seconds left put the Pacers away.

76ers 109, Knicks 95: Moses Malone scored 26 points and Julius Erving 22 as Philadelphia downed New York for the 76ers third straight victory.

The Knicks, who toppled the Boston Celtics out of a tie for first place with the 76ers in the Atlantic Division Thursday night, led only once in the game, at 2-0. The Knick's Bernard King was high scorer with 30 points, including 15 in the second quarter, while teammate Sly Williams hit a personal high of 23.

Bullets 119, Pistons 116: Jeff Ruland fired in 24 points and Greg Ballard added 23 to carry Washington over Detroit. Ruland scored 12 of his points in the third quarter, with Ballard adding 11 in the same period to help the Bullets reverse a 59-54, halftime deficit and grab an 83-82 lead going into the final period.

After Detroit took an early fourth-quarter lead at 86-85, Ruland hit a layup with 10 minutes remaining to put the Bullets ahead 87-86. They never trailed after that.

Seals 93, Kings 90: Jack Sikma scored 26 points and pulled down a career-high 25 rebounds as Seattle rallied in the second half to edge Kansas City. Seattle, trailing 42-38 at halftime after shooting only 28 percent from the field, was sparked by Sikma, guard Gus Williams and forwards Lonnie Shelton and Greg Kelser after intermission.

Miller's spell puts England on top

HOBART, Australia Dec. 18 (AFP) — A superb four for 13 in just 15.5 overs by off-spinner Geoff Miller put England in a strong position against Tasmania here Saturday.

His figures at the close of play were the best so far by any member of the touring team in Australia. In bitterly cold conditions he conceded only 40 runs in all 29 of his overs, leaving the state side at six for 187.

Tasmanian captain Roger Woolley won the toss and chose to bat, but Miller broke the back of the Tasmanian innings and among his victims was former England Test batsmen Roland Butcher, for a duck.

In Australia's first innings of the Perth Test Miller took four for 70, but skipper Bob Willis has appeared reluctant at times to use the accurate slow bowler.

Of major importance for the touring side

Mountjoy & partner make final

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Doug Mountjoy of Wales came out of the shadows to spearhead his team's hard-fought entry into the final of the World Doubles Snooker Championships at Crystal Palace here Friday.

Mountjoy, the Welsh champion, and his partner and fellow-Welshman Terry Griffiths finally overcame world champion Alex Higgins of Northern Ireland and Australia's Eddie Charlton 10-7 in a best of 19 frames semifinal.

Mountjoy had played straight-man to Griffiths in the first two sessions of the match, and admitted a massive loss of confidence, but in Friday's final session it was Griffiths' turn to feel the heat.

Despite having looked supremely confident in this tournament after beating Higgins in the final of the U.K. Championships at Preston just 13 days ago, Griffiths faltered and it was Mountjoy's turn to hold the team together. But Griffiths still made breaks of 37 and 39 to take the last two frames his side needed to reach the best of 25-frames final and a shot at the 24,000 pounds first prize.

Mountjoy and Griffiths had to sweat it out Friday for more than three hours. They had led 7-3 on Thursday night before Higgins and Charlton began their comeback, to move up to 7-5 by the end of Thursday's final session, and then took the first two frames Friday to level at 7-7.

Mountjoy said: "At 7-7 I was terrified. But he overcame his fear to make a break of 38 to claim the 15th frame 90-45, going into the interval.

Australian champion Charlton praised his partner Higgins, the Manchester-based Ultimo, saying: "He's playing better now than at any time in his career in my opinion." And he added: "I was disappointed with my contribution."

In the other semifinal Steve Davis and Tony Meo crushed Jimmy White and Tony Knowles 10-5. They needed only 47 minutes to stretch their 8-4 overnight lead to a winning margin in the best of nineteen frames needle match between four of the British game's bright young stars.

White gave his side hope with a 41-break to put his team ahead in the first frame Friday and they took the frame 65-61, on the black, despite a 39 break by Davis, to cut the deficit to 8-5.

But Meo cleaned up with a break of 58 on the 13th frame, which he and Davis won and then added a fine break of 64 in the 15th frame to book a place in the final.

Mike Bossy nets three

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP) — Mike Bossy snapped the longest goal-scoring drought of his National Hockey League career by collecting three goals Friday night, leading the New York Islanders to a 5-2 decision over the New York Rangers.

In the other match Jari Kurri scored three goals and had two assists while Wayne Gretzky and Paul Coffey each added a goal and three assists as the Edmonton Oilers routed the New Jersey Devils 10-4.

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As Swansea holds United

Early goals boost Liverpool's position

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP) — Liverpool scored three goals in the first 17 minutes and then went on to defeat Aston Villa 4-2 in an English First Division soccer match at Villa Park Saturday. The victory helped Liverpool extend their leadership of the First Division to five points.

Goals from David Hodgson, Kenny Dalglish and Alan Kennedy looked to have given Liverpool complete control, but European champions Villa hit back through Gary Shaw and Peter Withe before half-time. Ian Rush scored Liverpool's fourth goal late in the match.

Liverpool now have 40 points from 19 games. Manchester United and Nottingham

Forest are their leading challengers. Both have 35 points from 19 outings.

United were held to a 0-0 draw at Swansea, while Steve Hodge's goal after only 22 seconds gave Forest a 1-0 win at Norwich, but there were plenty of goals elsewhere in the First Division. Everton cracked five goals without reply at home to Luton Town, while Southampton crushed West Bromwich Albion 4-1 at the Dell.

Adrian Heath scored twice for Everton, whose other goals came from John Bailey, Kevin Sheedy and Terry Curran.

Danny Wallace gave Southampton a 12th minute lead against West Bromwich, and David Armstrong, Steve Moran and David

Puckett scored after Cyrille Regis had equalized.

Gary Rowell hit a hat-trick as Sunderland gained a 3-0 triumph over Arsenal. Rowell was on target in the ninth, 63rd and 77th minutes.

England international Gary Mabbutt, playing as a striker in the absence of Steve Archibald, scored both Tottenham's goals in the 2-1 win over Birmingham City at White Hart Lane, while Coventry's Mark Hateley netted in each half to guide his team to a 2-0 victory over Stoke City.

Andy Ritchie's 50th minute goal earned Brighton a valuable 1-1 draw at Manchester City after the home team led through Kevin

Bond, while Watford produced a powerhouse first half performance to down Ipswich 2-1.

Ross Jenkins and Les Taylor both struck in the first period as Watford ended a two-game losing streak. Paul Mariner got a consolidation goal for Ipswich.

Alan Dickens, 18, celebrated his West Ham debut by scoring a filer just six minutes and the Hammers went on to win 2-1 at Notts County.

David Hunt's own goal gave the visitors a 2-0 lead after 15 minutes and Nigel Worthington's 73rd minute response was not enough.

Danish international Alani Simonsen maintained his record of having scored in every game for Charlton Athletic. Simonsen scored the first goal — his fourth for the club — as Charlton beat Barnsley 3-2.

West Ham, without a win in their previous seven away games, gained a psychological boost with the victory over Notts County. The teams meet again next Tuesday night in a League Cup replay. Alan Dickens, 18, celebrated his debut with a goal after six minutes and a David Hunt own goal made it 2-0 nine minutes later. Nigel Worthington pulled a goal back in the 73rd minute and county debutant Justin Fashanu had a late effort allowed for offside.

Watford recovered from two successive defeats to outclass ponderous Ipswich in the first half.

English Soccer results

Division One			
Aston Villa	2	Liverpool	4
Coventry	2	Stoke	0
Everton	5	Luton	0
Manchester City	1	Brighton	1
Notts County	1	Wolverhampton	1
Southampton	4	West Ham	2
Sunderland	3	West Bromwich	1
Swansea	U	Arsenal	1
Tottenham	2	Manchester United	1
Watford	2	Birmingham	1
Blackburn	3	Ipswich	1
Cardiff	3	Rotherham	0
Carlton	3	Fulham	2
Chester	3	Barnsley	1
Chelsea	2	Bolton	1
Derby	1	Crystal Palace	1
Grimsby	3	Burnley	2
Leeds	1	Shrewsbury	1
Division Two			
Blackburn	3	Rotherham	0
Cardiff	3	Fulham	2
Carlton	3	Barnsley	1
Chester	2	Bolton	1
Chelsea	2	Crystal Palace	1
Derby	1	Clydebank	1
Grimsby	3	Burnley	2
Leeds	1	Shrewsbury	1

Division One			
Leicester	2	Oxford	1
Sheff. Wednesday	1	Newcastle	1
Wolverhampton	4	O.P. Rangers	0
Cambridge	2	Middlesbrough	0
Division Two			
Brentford	4	Easter	0
Bristol	4	Wrexham	0
Chesterfield	0	Plymouth	1
Doncaster	2	Millwall	0
Lincoln	9	Bournemouth	0
Newport	1	Walsall	1
Plymouth	2	Grimsby	1
Reading	1	Huddersfield	1
Wigan	0	Oxford	1
Southern United	1	Cardiff	2
Orient	2	Leeds	1
Division Four			
Blackpool	3	Scunthorpe	1
Bury	2	Fleetwood	1
Chester	0	Bristol	1
Northampton	1	York	1
Hereford	0	Northampton	1

Soccer tid-bits

Ardiles to strengthen Tottenham

match.

Regis likely to move

Meanwhile, Cyrille Regis looks like becoming the next big-name British soccer player to join a foreign club.

The 26-year-old England shooting star will become a free agent next summer when his contract with West Bromwich expires. Already Real Madrid, Barcelona and big Italian clubs are watching him.

Regis, valued at 750,000 pounds on the British transfer market, is keen to collect the maximum rewards from a footballer's brief career at the top of his profession. He also feels hurt about being excluded from England's last two international squads.

Regis, ranked 17 goals saved West Bromwich from relegation to the Second Division last season, refuses to discuss his future plans. But he told the *Daily Mirror*: "I have had no serious talks yet with the management concerning a new contract."

Joining a leading side in Spain or Italy could bring Regis a large signing on bonus, as well as doubling his present 650 pounds a week salary.

Albion will try their hardest to cling onto their most prized possession, but they cannot compete on financial terms with their wealthy European rivals.

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Hamburg surprised

In Berlin, league champions S.V. Hamburg suffered a surprise defeat at the hands of Hertha BSC, Berlin when they went down 2-1 in the West German Cup. The sides were level 1-1 at half-time, but a second half goal saw Hertha safely into the last eight.

Ossie Ardiles... back to England

Aussie rugby side

keeps clean slate

NARBONNE, Dec. 18 (AFP) — Australia beat France 23-9 in the Second Rugby League Test here Saturday. Half-time score was 10-7.

Australia's win meant they finished unbeaten on their hectic tour of Britain and France, winning 22 in a row, including five Test matches.

Watched by an unappreciative crowd of 6,000, however, the Kangaroos looked below their best in the first half when, with a strong wind at their backs they reached the break only 10-7 up.

But in the second-half as so often on this memorable tour, the Australians' superior fitness and sheer physical strength compiled the difference against willing opponents.

The Australians scored five tries through Meninga (5), Grothe (34 and 48), Reddy (43) and Kenny (68). Meninga, the burly Brisbane policeman added three conversions (34, 43 and 68) and one penalty (11). The French scored one try through scrum-half Gresesque (28) with Kaminski converting and adding two penalties (15 and 79).

The French were without Henri Daniel, who suffered a sprained wrist when he captained the Catalan side which lost 53-2 to the Rampant Australians at Perpignan.

His loss was the second set-back for the French selectors, following the disqualification of winger Didier Bernard, who has now failed to purge his suspension because of the postponement of a French Club match.

Fitzgerald unseeded the defending champ-

In late night matches, American Brian Teacher defeated Vince Van Patten also of the U.S. 6-3, 6-1, while Jimmy Connors beat Shlomo Glickstein 6-2, 6-3.

Gottfried charged to a 5-0 lead in the first set before Borg could hold service. He then closed out the set with his driving serve.

Gottfried broke the five-time Wimbledon champion's serve to go up 3-1 in the second set and broke him again at 5-3 to win the match. "I play some good matches and some not so good," said Borg who committed numerous unforced errors. "Today, I was never in the match. I have to improve, plus, Brian played very well. I need to be more consistent."

Meanwhile, the New South Wales men's Open final at White City Sunday will, for the first time in seven years, feature an all-Australian clash.

The Australian doubles champions, John Alexander and John Fitzgerald will meet the \$20,000 first prize cheque in this \$12,500 tournament.

Fitzgerald unseeded the defending champ-

ion American Tim Wilkison in the semifinal. He won 6-3, 6-2 to end the eighth-seeded Wilkison hopes of winning a third title.

Alexander gained a revenge win over American Sammy Giammalvo in the other semifinal. The 31-year-old Alexander seeded fifth also won 6-3, 6-2.

Alexander was in the final here three years ago and lost to another doubles partner, Phil Dent, after leading two sets to nil.

Fitzgerald, the 21-year-old from the outback South Australian town of Cockatoochie, 450 miles west of the capital, Adelaide, has not dropped a set in reaching the final.

Chris, Tracy sail into semis

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey, Dec. 18 (AP) — Defending champion Tracy Austin upset third-seeded Andrea Jaeger 6-4, 6-4 Friday night to advance into the semifinals of the \$300,000 Toyota Tennis Championships.

Chris Evert Lloyd, seeded second, eliminated Pam Shriver 6-2, 6-3 and will meet Austin in the opening semifinal Saturday. The second match will send top-seeded Martina Navratilova against Hana Mandlikova of Czechoslovakia, who was seeded fourth in this select 12-woman field.

Austin broke Jaeger's serve in the second game of the opening set, finally succeeding on the seventh break point, and went up 3-0. But Jaeger broke back in the seventh game, another long game that went 10 points.

In the ninth game, Jaeger had a love-40

Gross splashes to new world mark

GOTEBORG, Sweden, Dec. 18 (AP) — Michael Gross of West Germany and Vladimir Salnikov of the Soviet Union set world short-course records at the European Cup swimmin-

g started here Saturday.

Gross clocked 1 minute 56.18 seconds in the 200-meter butterfly final to improve his own world best time set last week. Sergei Fesenko of the Soviet Union was runner-up in 1:57.59. Salnikov, the king of freestyle swimming bettered his own 400 meters mark by almost two seconds.

The Soviet Union topped the men's stand-

lead, but Austin won nine of the next 10 points to hold serve, then broke her 17-year-old opponent in the 10th game to grab the opening set.

The two traded service breaks in the sixth and seventh games. Then, for the second straight game, Austin broke her opponent in the 10th game.

Lloyd reeled off the first four games as Shriver committed a bundle of unforced errors and won only three points. Ranked No. 2 in the world and fresh from her triumph in the Australian Open, Lloyd served out the first set, which took only 33 minutes.

Shriver lost her serve at love to begin the second set, but broke right back, again at love, to even the set. But she couldn't hold her serve and Lloyd took a 2-1 edge as unforced errors against bedeviled Shriver.

In the ninth game, Jaeger had a love-40

Gross splashes to new world mark

ing with 146 points going into the concluding events. East Germany was second with 125, and West Germany third with 121. East Germany led the women's standings with 105 points, just six ahead of host nation Sweden. The Soviet Union was third with 98.

In the final event Saturday, the Soviet Union set a new world's best time of 3:39.82 in the men's 400 medley relay. The Soviet quartet included Vladimir Shepelov, Robertas Yolpa, Alexander Markovsky and Sergei Krasin. East Germany was a distant second in 3:43.23, ahead of West Germany.

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BRIEFS

STRASBOURG, France, (AFP) — China notched up a double triumph on the first day of the French Open Table Tennis Championships by winning both the men's and women's team events without dropping a set. In the men's final they defeated Sweden 3-0 while in the women's final against the Soviet Union the Chinese did not concede a set.

VAL GARDENA, Italy, (AFP) — The men's Alpine Skiing World Cup Downhill scheduled to take place here Saturday was cancelled after fog, which put back the start this morning, gave way to heavy snowfalls this afternoon. The downhill had already been postponed from its original schedule at Val d'Isere, France last week.

PERTH, (AFP) — Ace fast bowler Dennis Lillee made a bold bid for a recall to the

Australian Test cricket side. The 33-year-old

captured four wickets for 61 for West Australia against South Australia on the opening day of the Sheffield Shield game at the WACA ground here.

BAKU, (AFP) — Latecomer Rafiq-ul Islam of Bangladesh created a mild sensation when he immediately drew his first match Thursday night and went on to win his second game Friday morning at the sixth Asian Junior Chess Championship in this mountain resort city.

SEOUL, (AFP) — Oriental-Pacific Box-

ing Federation (OPBF) welterweight champion Hwang Joon-suk of South Korea will fight American Donald Curry on Feb. 13 for the World Boxing Association (WBA) welterweight title. Hwang's manager announced Saturday.

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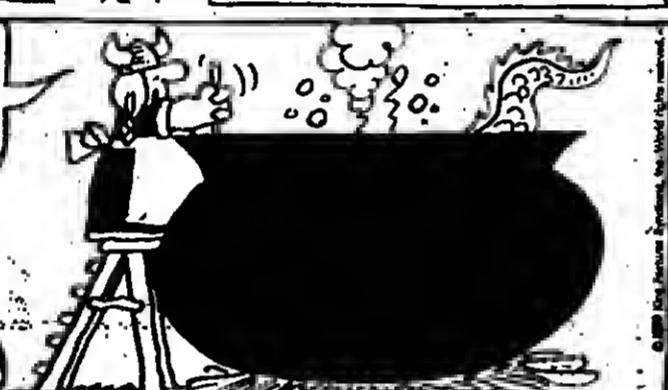
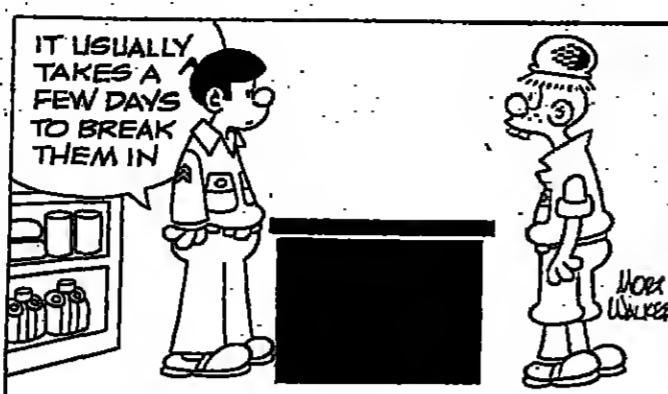


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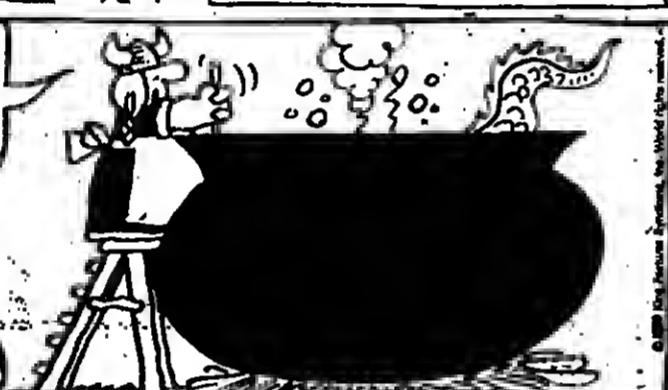
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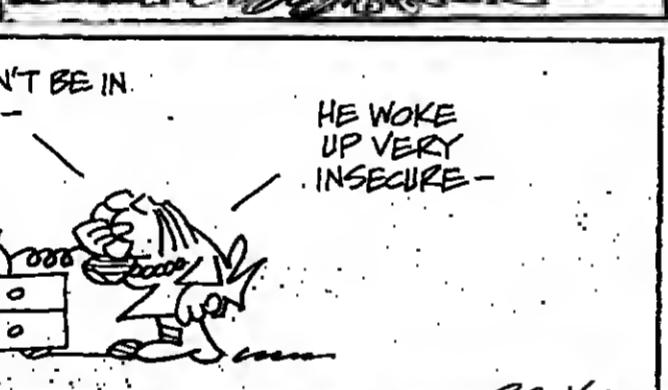
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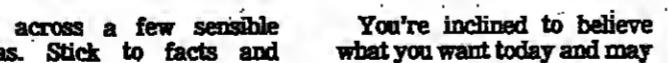
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FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1982

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

Relations with friends are problematic, though you may hear of a business tip. Watch out for grandiose plans.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)

A close tie may underestimate a situation. Seek advice about a career matter, as you are prone to wishful thinking now.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

Others are inclined to goof off and it may be up to you to



get across a few sensible ideas. Stick to facts and figures.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

You may do some shopping for children. Some ideas being tossed around now are far-fetched. Don't jump to conclusions.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Don't leave too much for others to do. You may find they are just as inclined to let things slide as you are today.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

You may be lax about rules of health and diet, though you'll reach agreement with a close tie about a mutual financial interest.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Others are inclined to goof off and it may be up to you to

watch carefully when shopping. Not everything you hear today will be true, so don't waste your time with idle chatter.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

You're prone to buy a white elephant today and should consult with family members before making any major purchases.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

Stay away from behind-the-scenes career moves. An acquaintance has a big mouth and shouldn't be confided in. Keep secrets.

You're inclined to believe what you want today and may dismiss important facts. Don't exaggerate and watch rationalizations.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Con-artists may tempt you with faulty goods. Use common sense when shopping. A friend may be the source of unreliable information.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

A friend remains noncommittal. You may have more fun by yourself than with others. A career idea may be unrealistic.

PICTURES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

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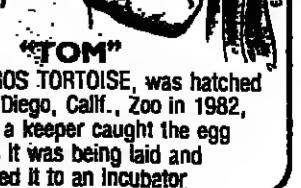
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— Family Meeting

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— Religious Talk

— Special News Show

8:35 Special Program

9:21 Dallas/Second

Thoughts

10:00 News

Bahrain Channel 4

4:00 Quran

— Religious Talk

— 420 Program Preview

— 430 Children's Series

— 440 Health Program

— 450 Arabic Drama

— 460 Arabic News

— 470 Local Interview

— 480 Arabic Program

— 490 Children's Program

— 500 Daily Arabic Series

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Soviets warn to break off talks if NATO deploys Euromissiles

BONN, Dec. 18 (AFP) — The Soviet Union has warned that it will break off Euromissile negotiations with the United States if the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) goes ahead with plans next year to deploy U.S. Pershing and Cruise rockets in several Western European countries.

The warning, seen here as an effort to put pressure on the government of West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, was voiced by two Soviet officials in an interview appearing Saturday in the magazine *Sueddeutsche Zeitung*.

The interview also appeared exactly one month before the visit here of Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko. One of the officials quoted, Gen. Nikolai Tschervov, said the Soviet Union would be forced to take "countermeasures" if the U.S. weapons were installed.

NATO has decided to deploy 572 Pershing and Cruise missiles in Western Europe beginning in December, 1983 if current Geneva-based talks with the Soviet Union on limiting the numbers of such weapons are not successful.

"The deployment of new arms by the Atlantic alliance would create an entirely new situation and would lead us to reconsider our position," said Valentin Falin, a former Soviet ambassador to Bonn and currently assistant director of the international information section of the Soviet Communist Party's central committee. Falin said the NATO move "will create a situation that will make it impossible to continue the Geneva negotiations."

In the same interview, Gen. Tschervov said the West "is deceiving itself" if it thinks it can install the missiles "while continuing to negotiate. The deployment would upset the balance that currently exists between the two

Carstens to decide on poll next month

BONN, Dec. 18 (R) — West German President Karl Carstens said Saturday he would decide in the first week of January whether to dissolve parliament and call early general elections as Chancellor Helmut Kohl has requested.

But Carstens gave no indication whether he would accede to the request, submitted formally Friday after Kohl intentionally lost a vote of confidence in the Bundestag (lower house).

"I will decide on the request to dissolve the Bundestag in the New Year, in the first week of January," Carstens told the mass circulation *Bild Am Sonntag* newspaper in an interview released ahead of publication Sunday.

The president has until Jan. 7 to decide. Political sources have said he will agree to a dissolution, despite serious doubts about the constitutionality of a contrived vote of confidence. Kohl's center-right coalition government faces its first major test of public opinion Sunday when 1.2 million voters in the city-state of Hamburg elects a new assembly.



NEW HELICOPTER: This is the new twin-jet helicopter with a seating capacity of eight to eleven jointly produced by the West German firm MBB and the Kawasaki Heavy Industries Limited of Japan. The picture was taken Thursday when the new helicopter, BK 117, was on a demonstration flight in Ottobrunn near Munich.

Paris alerted Vatican about plot to kill pope

PARIS, Dec. 18 (Agencies) — The French secret service warned the Vatican three weeks before Pope John Paul was shot last year of a plan to kill him, a former head of the service said in an interview published Saturday.

Alexandre de Marenches told the French daily *Le Figaro* he had been worried for a long time about a possible attack on the pontiff, who was shot and seriously wounded in St. Peter's Square in May, 1981.

Three weeks before the shooting, De Marenches said, he had heard during a visit to Morocco from carefully checked sources that an attack might still be carried out. "I personally warned the papal nuncio, of the mortal danger the pope was facing. The nuncio of course, alerted the Vatican," he said.

According to a French tabloid, two ranking officials of the French intelligence service went to the Vatican three weeks before Pope John Paul II was shot last year to warn about an impending attack against him.

The tabloid *Le Quotidien de Paris* said that around April 20 (1981), Alexandre de Marenches sent two of his closest aides to the Vatican to warn about the danger. It said the two officers were discreetly received at the Vatican where they delivered the information.

"The information was explosive because it directly spoke about a foreign power," *Le Quotidien* said.

Tass, the first Soviet comment on allegations that Bulgaria and the Soviet KGB security police may have organized the attempt on the pope's life.

By repeating the angrily-worded statement, Moscow also indicated its sensitivity in the subject. Soviet leader Yuri Andropov was KGB chief at the time of the shooting and diplomats said a sharp Soviet reaction to the allegations was inevitable as his reputation was indirectly involved.

The statement also hinted at Kremlin concern about a possible reaction in Poland.

Flameout scares jet passengers

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP) — Passengers aboard a domestic American jetliner were panicked by a burst of flame from a jet engine and forced the pilot to taxi back to the airport gate, authorities said.

Police said many of the 260 passengers aboard Eastern Airlines flight 757 to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, began yelling, running and banging on the cockpit door to get the pilot to turn back after they saw the "flameout" Friday night. A flameout is a burning burst of fuel similar to a car's backfire.

The aircraft, an L-1011, was taxiing to the runway at Laguardia Airport when the passengers started screaming for the pilot to turn back. It had already been delayed three hours because of brake problems.

A flameout would not have hindered take-off, police said, but the passengers feared a fire had broken out. After the plane arrived back at the terminal, the passengers were told what had happened and many returned to the aircraft. Others chose to take later flights. There were no injuries, police said.

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Beirut	11	52	16	61	cloudy	Montreal	-14	7	-11	12	cloudy
Belgrade	3	48	16	61	cloudy	Moscow	-1	30	3	37	cloudy
Berlin	-1	30	4	39	cloudy	New Delhi	9	48	23	74	clear
Brussels	-1	30	1	34	cloudy	New York	-2	29	6	43	cloudy
Buenos Aires	9	48	29	84	clear	Nicosia	9	48	18	64	cloudy
Cairo	10	50	18	64	cloudy	Oslo	-9	16	-6	21	clear
Caracas	19	66	28	82	cloudy	Paris	5	41	7	45	cloudy
Chicago	-4	35	-1	31	rain	Peking	-4	25	4	39	clear
Copenhagen	-1	30	2	36	cloudy	Rio de Janeiro	34	95	22	72	cloudy
Dublin	-1	27	1	34	clear	Rome	9	48	15	59	rain
Frankfurt	2	36	4	59	cloudy	San Francisco	15	54	15	59	clear
Geneva	9	48	12	54	rain	Seoul	-10	14	-2	28	clear
Helsinki	-2	28	1	34	clear	Singapore	24	75	27	81	rain
Hong Kong	10	50	15	59	clear	Stockholm	-4	25	-2	28	cloudy
Jakarta	23	73	31	88	cloudy	Taipei	9	48	15	59	cloudy
Kuala Lumpur	24	75	31	88	rain	Tokyo	10	51	15	59	clear
Lisbon	12	54	14	57	rain	Toronto	-11	12	-5	23	cloudy
London	1	34	5	41	clear	Vancouver	7	45	7	45	rain
Los Angeles	9	48	18	64	clear	Vienna	6	43	8	44	cloudy

Facing up to the Russians

Allies' stand said reassuring Shultz

LONDON

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American

Secretary of State George Shultz Saturday wound up a 48-hour visit to Britain, and a seven-nation European tour, reassured by the determination of Washington's Atlantic allies to stand up to the Soviet Union, a U.S. source reported.

Shultz visited Bonn, Brussels, the Hague, Rome, Paris and Madrid before arriving here Thursday.

He was said to be particularly satisfied with the "realistic" analysis of Soviet intentions, notably on armaments, of the European members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) — as 1983 draws near and the scheduled deployment of 572 U.S. nuclear missiles in Europe. The secretary appreciated this realism in the face of increasing fears in Europe about the missiles.

In Britain, where the pacifist movement is rapidly gathering strength, Shultz told a press conference that he understood the concern many people felt over the missiles, but that the worst thing would be to allow defenses to weaken, if the peoples of Europe were faced with aggression.

An American source said that Shultz's 90-minute conversation with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher had convinced him that she strongly favored increasing defense expenditure.

However the secretary did not manage to dispel unease here, largely but not only in the opposition, about the degree of control London

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